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CHURCH NOTICES

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL (GARDEN ROAD)

Diocesan Conference to Be Held on Thursday

Low Sunday, Communion and in Pook Church.

11 a.m. Matins, Preacher, Rev. H.D. McManus.

12.15 p.m. Holy Communion.

3.30 p.m. Evening and sermon, Preacher, Rev. A. H. Rose. The Social Hour will be held immediately after Evensong, and all will be welcomed.

Holy Communion will be celebrated on Thursday 22nd April (Specifically for Diocesan Conference); Friday 7.45 a.m. (St. Mark).

Notices for the Week

Badminton in the Cathedral Hall on Monday.

Diocesan Conference on Thursday 5.30 p.m. (Cathedral Hall).

CHRIST CHURCH (KOWLOON LANE)

Rev. J. C. L. Wong to Preach At Choral Eucharist

April 20, Low Sunday

Services in English 7.15 a.m. Holy Communion; 9.45 a.m. Choral Eucharist & Sermon; Preacher: Rev. J. C. L. Wong.

Hymns: 129, 135, 375, 481; 9 a.m. Sunday School; 10.15 a.m. Bible class; 11 a.m. Morning Prayer & Sermon; Preacher: Mr. Chow Ching Kwang.

Wednesday, April 22, St. George's Day—Holy Communion at 7 a.m.

Thursday, April 23, Holy Communion at 7 a.m.

Friday, April 25, St. Mark—Holy Communion at 7 a.m.

Meetings and Notices

The Christ Church congregation will meet the Morning Service speaking congregation in a Tennis and Bridge Tournament on Sunday afternoon, April 20. Tennis at 2.30 p.m. Bridge after supper at about 8.30 p.m.

Monday, April 21—Guild of Martha & Mary excursion to Sheung Shui leaving Kowloon by the 9.45 a.m. train.

Thursday, April 24—Usual weekly meeting of the Guild of Martha & Mary at 10 a.m. in the Vicarage. Choir practice in the church at 8 p.m.

Friday, April 25—Vicar and Fellowship "At Home" in the Vicarage from 8.30 p.m.

EMMANUEL CHURCH (218 NATHAN ROAD)

Sunday, April 20—11 a.m. Morning Worship followed by Holy Communion. Preacher: Rev. J. M. Smith of the American Baptist Mission of Burma; 3 p.m. Sunday School; 5 p.m. Bible class; 7 p.m. Young Men & Young Ladies at 9 Hill Wood Road; Mr. & Mrs. Anell Nance, teachers; 7.30 p.m. Song Service; 8 p.m. Gospel Service. Subject: "Confession".

Monday—7.30 Soldiers & Airmen's Christian Association.

Tuesday—Women's Bible Study at 9 Hill Wood Road; Teachers: Mrs. Lechmere Clift; 3 p.m. Bible class; 7.30 p.m. Song Service; 8 p.m. Gospel Service. Subject: "Confession".

Wednesday—2.30 p.m. Women's Sewing Circle at home of Mrs. Chung, 122 Nathan Road; 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting.

Friday—4.45 p.m. Children's Story Hour at 9 Hill Wood Road; 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting at 9 Hill Wood Road.

Monday and Friday Bible Classes as usual.

METHODIST CHURCH

Revs W. H. Hudspeth and Vernon Stones to Preach

Services on Sunday, April 20

Preachers: Morning, Rev. Vernon Stones; Evening, Rev. W. H. Hudspeth.

M.A. Morning Service at 10.15 a.m. Hymns: 420, 613, 900, 230, 810.

Evening Service at 7 p.m. Hymns: 32, 100, 327, 420.

Notices for the Week

Following the Evening Service a Social Hour will be held at the S. & B. Home at 8.30 p.m. All Servicemen and civilians warmly welcomed.

Monday and Tuesday at 7 p.m. Badminton Club at the S. & B. Home.

Tuesday at 8.30 p.m. Meeting for Prayer and Fellowship at S. & B. Home.

Wednesday at 8.30 p.m. House Committee at the S. & B. Home.

UNION CHURCH (KOWLOON ROAD)

Morning Service—10.30 a.m. Preacher, Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow.

Evening Service—8 p.m. Preacher, Rev. Gordon Bennett, Royal Army Chaplains Department.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 24th to 30th April, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

B. ALVES, Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th April, 1941.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 62nd Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, the 22nd day of April, 1941, at 11.30 o'clock, a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 9th April, 1941, to TUESDAY, the 22nd April, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

R. TAYLOR, Manager and Secretary.

Hong Kong, 25th March, 1941.

NOTICE

DEFENCE REGULATIONS 1940

The following rates will be charged for mailing single copies of the following newspapers abroad:—

South China Morning Post

China and Macao

16 cents per copy

British Empire and Foreign

25 cents per copy

The Hongkong Telegraph

China and Macao

14 cents per copy

16 cents Saturdays

British and Foreign

20 cents per copy

25 cents Saturdays.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday, says:

The War news continuing to be grave, small wonder the market has lapsed into a dull and quiet state.

Whilst prices are being barely maintained, brokers in general are not unduly worried with selling orders.

Business done during the week

H.K. Banks \$1,350, \$1,345

Union Ins. \$222½

China Ins. \$430

Wharves \$80

Providents \$5.10

Lands \$33½, \$33

Trams \$33¾, \$16.10

Star Ferries \$52

Lights "O" \$0

Lights "N" \$1.70

Lights Rte. 60 cts., 50 cts.

Ropes \$7¼, \$7

Telephones "O" \$23¼

Walsons \$9.70

China Govt. 5% Bond G28

Buyers

Bank of East Asia \$70

Union Ins. \$425

Indo-China (Prof) \$80

Wharves \$85.05

Humphreys \$9.80

Trams \$18

Star Ferries \$51.50

Lights "O" \$0

Lights Rte. 45 cts

Entertainments \$0.25

Sellers

H.K. Banks \$1,350

Union Ins. \$430

Trams \$16.25

Sales

H.K. Banks \$1,340

Lights "O" 50 cts.

Lane Crawford \$7.25

BOMBER FUND

A total of \$1,700,000.00 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd. with the following donations:

Mercantile Marine Office Bomb (fourth donation) \$100

"Sammy's Two Pups" Members of China Coast and Marine Engineers' Guild of China (fifth donation) 100

"" (sixth donation) 100

Indian and Chinese Police Guards (sixth donation) 100

Zeland Lodge No. 525, C. (in memory of the late Bro. E. J. Ainsley) 10

Messrs. Gordons, Ltd. (monthly donation) 10

O. A. G. P.—Sale of Plants 50.40

FEES FOR LICENCES

Toilet Preparations

Fees for licences and permits in respect of toilet preparations were announced in to-day's "Government Gazette" and are as follows:

Licensed warehouse licence (Form 1) only in conjunction with a manufacturing licence, \$5;

Manufacturer's licence (Form 2), \$100;

Importer's Licence (Form 3)—(a) except as in (b) or if held in conjunction with an importer's licence for any other goods to which the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance applies, \$5; (b) to persons importing only for their own use, ten per cent. of the duty on the toilet preparations imported, with a minimum fee of \$2;

Dealer's licence (Form 4), \$5;

Retailer's licence (Form 5)—(a) in Victoria or in Kowloon south of Waterloo Road, Gascogne Road and Chatham Road, \$30; (b) elsewhere in the Island of Hongkong or in Kowloon or New Kowloon, \$20; (c) in the New Territories except New Kowloon, \$10, or if held in conjunction with a retailer's licence for any other goods to which the Ordinance applies, \$3.

An importer who sells toilet preparations also requires a dealer's licence.

Preservatives In Margarine

Ordinance Amended

The Adulterated Food and Drugs Ordinance, 1935, is amended by the deletion of Regulation (11) (a) and the substitution of the following: "Margarine is any article of food, whether mixed with butter or not, which resembles butter and is not milk-blended butter. It shall be free from rancidity and not contain more than 10 per cent. moisture or more than ten per cent. butter fat. It shall contain no preservative except to the extent of 0.15 per cent. by weight of benzole acid and 0.15 per cent. by weight of sodium benzoate. Every receptacle containing margarine shall be clearly marked 'Margarine' in large letters and also with the additional words 'containing not more than 0.15 per cent. by weight of benzole acid and 0.15 per cent. by weight of sodium benzoate and not of other preservative' (where the margarine contains such preservatives), and every packet sold retail shall be similarly marked."

It may be noted that the regulation published in the "Gazette" of February 14, 1941 contained a prohibition against all preservatives in margarine in order to enable margarine to be stored for lengthy periods where refrigeration is not possible this prohibition has not been removed and two preservatives will not be permitted but their presence must be clearly indicated in all receptacles containing margarine. As soon as normal times prevail it is the intention to restore this prohibition against preservative in margarine.

Ships Bombed Off Norway

LONDON, Apr. 18 (Reuter).—A supply ship of 7,000 tons was burning fiercely by the stern and another of 3,000 tons was left sinking rapidly after attacks by British bombers off the Norwegian coast to-day.

One ship was attacked from a height of only 50 feet and four heavy bombs hit it amidships.

Food Crimes In Eire

LONDON, Apr. 18 (Reuter).—The present stocks of wheat and flour in Eire are only sufficient to last a few months.

This is officially announced in Dublin with an instruction to the Police rigidly to enforce the prohibition of the use of such food for livestock which is described as a crime against the community, punishable with heavy penalties.

ST GEORGE'S SOCIETY

An appeal to all Englishmen in the Colony who are not members of St. George's Society to join, was made by Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, the Acting President, who took the Chair at the annual meeting of the Society, which was held yesterday in the Board Room of the Hongkong Jockey Club.

On the election of new officers, Mr. F. C. Hall was appointed President.

Nazi Bomber Off Cork

LONDON, Apr. 18 (Reuter).—A German bomber alighted on the sea near Schull, in County Cork, inside territorial waters, to-day and subsequently sank.

The crew of six came ashore and were interned.

France Leaves League

VICHY, Apr. 18 (Reuter).—The Government has decided to withdraw from the League of Nations, according to the Toulons radio, which adds that Admiral Darlan has informed the Secretary-General of the League to this effect.

Derby At Newbury

LONDON, Apr. 18 (Reuter).—According to present arrangements, the war substitute for the Epsom Derby, probably the most famous horse-racing event in the world, will be held at Newbury on Saturday, June 7.

Germans Mown Down Like Cattle

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holding Sarandoporon Pass have thrown back vicious attacks by tanks and infantry.

Violent but unsuccessful assaults were also made on a pass south of Mount Olympus, which is defended by the Australians. Here the Germans are said to have flung in ten divisions.

On the left flank of the Imperial forces north of Kalambata, which lies in the centre of the Allied line, the Greeks are being hard pressed.

Violent Fighting

ATHENS, Apr. 18 (Reuter).—According to the Athens radio, a Greek press bulletin says that fighting continues in great violence on the whole front in Northern Greece.

The radio adds that further west strong German mechanized forces are butting against the Greek lines north of Kalambata but the "oncoming tide has been stemmed."

The enemy's effort to break through to his main objective to the plain of Thessaly has so far failed despite his use of tremendous forces, but the situation is described as "serious."

The Germans are ceaselessly sending reinforcements through Yugoslavia.

Fierce And Bloody

LONDON, Apr. 18 (Reuter).—The British forces defending Sarandoporon Pass have thrown back powerful German infantry and tank attacks says the Athens radio.

The battle here is described as particularly fierce and bloody.

All attacks by ten divisions against the Australians at another pass south of Mount Olympus failed.

Deadly Firing

LONDON, Apr. 18 (Reuter).—Describing the fighting on the Greek front, a German officer to-day spoke of the "accurate and deadly firing of the English" and of the "vigorous counter-attacks by heavy British tanks," states the German radio.

Our Planes Active

ATHENS, Apr. 18 (Reuter).—British fighter and bomber aircraft have been active during the day in support of ground forces, states a communique issued from the headquarters of the British forces in Greece to-day.

Enemy communications were bombed continuously.

A number of reconnaissances were carried out by British fighters.

All our planes returned safely.

HITLER TO CARVE UP YUGO-SLAVIA

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Bulgaria and Croatia. Authorized German quarters said it clear, however, that the Serbs themselves will have no say in the matter.

The official German news agency quotes the "Dienstaus-Deutschland" to the effect that the basis for a new territorial revision will be, firstly, racial considerations and the return of racial territories previously separated; secondly, geographical and political considerations—the natural drawing of the frontiers to eliminate friction as far as possible; thirdly, economic considerations—care will be taken that the solution is just and must be a part of the European economic reorganization; and fourthly, strategic consideration—no basis for interference by outside Powers must be created.

M. Renner Going To Mukden

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with their infant child. Women and children were hastily put in the first lifeboats that could be lowered; they were pushed away from the blazing ship; husbands and wives were parted. That boatload was picked up by a British steamer. Much later, M. Renner swarmed down a rope over the side of the ship and swam to a returning lifeboat to be taken aboard and eventually rescued by a Russian steamer.

Many lives were lost in this, one of the greatest mercantile tragedies of this century.

The many friends of the French Vice-Consul will wish him and his family bon voyage and, if possible, a speedy return.

BOMBERS ON BERLIN

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ped than in the previous raid when the German communique admitted very heavy damage to the capital.

The bombers flew high on top of the bad weather and it grew intensely cold, ice forming on the aircraft.

Casualties At Brest

VICHY, Apr. 18 (UP).—It is officially reported that 70 persons were killed and 50 gravely wounded during the British air bombing of Brest early on Tuesday morning.

The victims were mostly nurses and patients in a civil hospital, one wing of which was squarely hit. It was the heaviest air raid on Brest during the war.

MAJOR WALKER PROMOTED

Major R. D. Walker, M.C., has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps with effect from August 20.

Mr. D. P. Ross has been appointed an Acting Sub-Lieutenant in the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force with effect from March 10.

PROTECTED PLACES

New Property Named

Under the Defence Regulations and in the interests of defence, the premises described below have been declared protected places by His Excellency the Governor and no person shall enter or be on the premises without the permission of the military authorities.

The premises referred to are: The whole land area to the north and north-eastward of the path leading from Tylam Gap to Pottinger Gap and on to Big Wave Bay and bounded on the north by Sal Wan Cemetery and the coastline from Sal Wan to Cape Collinson but excluding the villages of Sal Wan and Little Sal Wan, on the east by the coastline from Cape Collinson to the north-eastern arm of Big Wave Bay, and on the west and north-west by Island Road.

The land area comprising the whole of A'Aguliar Peninsula south of a line running east and west through the road junction at Windy Gap.

That part of Chung Am Kok Peninsula bounded on the west by West Bay, on the north by the ridge between South Bay and West Bay, on the east by a line running 100 yards to the east of the military road prolonged at its easternmost point to Stanley Bay, and on the south by the sea.

The whole of Brick Hill Peninsula including the whole of the military road and bounded on the north by Island Head and the military road, prolonged at its

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These remarkable pictures were taken in London a few weeks ago by a press photographer using infra-red plates, because the taking of photographs by ordinary flashlight is forbidden in war-time.

The picture at the left, showing Mr. Wendell Willkie and Miss Ellen Wilkinson, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Home Security was taken with an extra-rapid infra-red plate, with an exposure of one-twentieth of a second.

The lower picture was taken outside a Piccadilly tube station. It was so dark that the girl shown had to use her torch going down the stairs.

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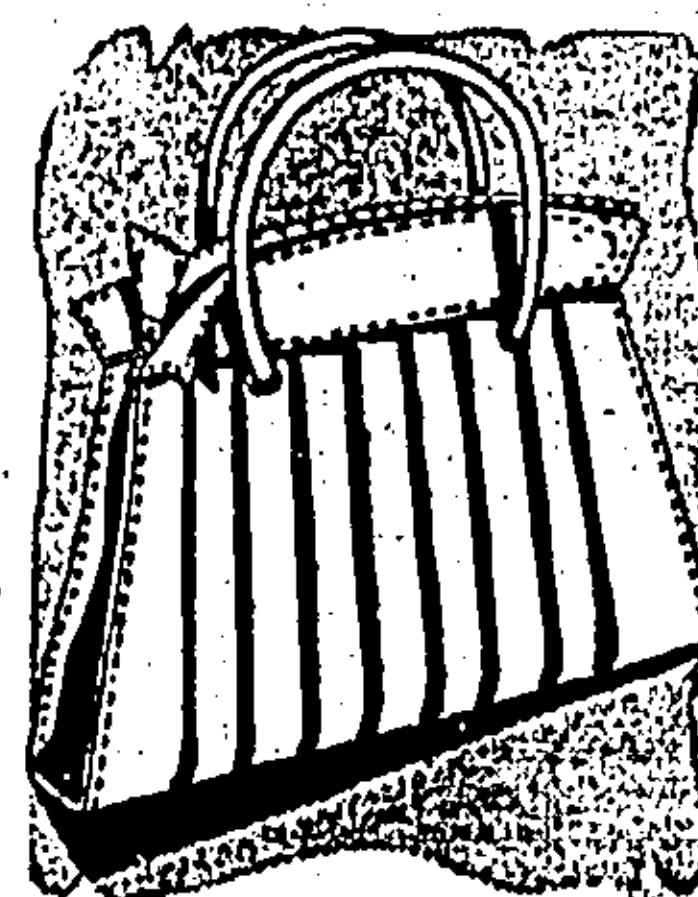
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America's Gift Of £100,000 Hospital

A £100,000 "travelling hospital" of 100 beds is being shipped across the Atlantic, beam and bolt, to be set up in Britain. The hospital is built of 25 pre-fabricated wooden units, and can be put up or taken down in 48 hours. Each bed is in a separate room.

It is a gift to Britain by the American Red Cross, which is also making a grant of £80,000 to start it. Harvard University will finance the running with a yearly gift of £25,000.

At present the hospital is at Boston, U.S.A., assembled, and is being tested for draughts. It has already been tested satisfactorily for speed in assembling.

Staff Coming Too

With the hospital will come all the fittings and equipment for the laboratories, including the latest type of electric motors for power generation and the newest and most elaborate medical equipment.

Fifty American Red Cross nurses and 20 Harvard doctors will be crossing with the hospital and will serve as its staff.

It will be known as the American Red Cross-Harvard Hospital for Infectious Diseases, and is intended to be taken to any part of Britain where an epidemic occurs.

The director, Dr. John E. Gordon, Professor of Preventive Medicine and Epidemiology at Harvard, arrived in London recently from Lisbon with a small team of research epidemiologists.

To Work On Shelters

They expect to do some preliminary investigations in the large public shelters and elsewhere. In case of an outbreak their special job will be to trace the source of the epidemic and take measures to prevent it spreading. They will decide to what points the hospital will travel.

At present there are fewer than a dozen American doctors in Britain. But the Ministry of Health has been informed that hundreds can be sent at a moment's notice if necessary.

Nazis Try To Set Up Bogus I.L.O.

Germany is engaged in an extraordinary effort to form a spurious new International Labour Organisation for Europe, modelled on lines of the present I.L.O., reports the "Daily Herald."

She has suggested to the Swiss Government that the present building of the real I.L.O. at Geneva should be handed over to the Nazis.

Supporting this brazen claim, the Nazis argue that Germany is in virtual control of nearly every European country, and that the present I.L.O. building should be the centre for them to collaborate on Labour and social problems.

New Magazine

There is no evidence so far that the Swiss Government has been impressed by the Nazi arguments, or that it will take any action to prejudice the real I.L.O., which, owing to the war, has temporary headquarters at Montreal.

But the Nazis are not accepting their failure as final. Carrying on the pretence of being in succession to a dead I.L.O., they are now publishing from Geneva a magazine on similar lines to the official I.L.O. organ.

It is being circulated to accustom people to the idea of the new organisation.

Typical Cunning

With typical Nazi cunning, ex-officials of the I.L.O. are being used. These are Germans who worked on the I.L.O. staff at Geneva but who, either before or immediately after the outbreak of war, returned to their native country.

Several men of this sort, some of them reputed to be Socialists, are now visiting the Balkan countries.

BISHOPS DEFY NAZIS

A pastoral letter signed by four Roman Catholic bishops of Holland recently condemned Nazism as an anti-Christian movement. It warned the faithful not to fall under the spell of Communism or Nazism.



Wealthy White Ranees Works As Salesgirl

A WEALTHY Australian-born woman who became the Ranees of Pudukota is working as a saleswoman in New York, although she has fortune and costly pearls deposited in London.

Currency regulations prevent her from taking anything but nominal sums out of Britain.

The Ranees hopes, however, to return to London soon to resume war work. She was nursing at the National Heart Hospital until her son was seriously injured in a road accident.

She then went to U.S.A. so that he could receive treatment from a specialist.

Her earnings in a fashionable gown shop are helping to pay the specialist's fees; but she says: "I am rather glad to be able to do something I've never done before."

Rajah's Resignation

As Miss Ernie Fink, she met the Rajah when he visited Melbourne. She returned to Pudukota (a small Indian State) with him as his wife, but the marriage led to the Rajah's resignation as a ruler.

He died in 1928, and afterwards the Ranees divided her time between her Chester-place home in London and Cannes.

She is reputed to own a £30,000 pearl necklace and furs worth £8,000.

SWEET MONEY

Children of a Sunday school at Bedford, Nova Scotia, have sent to the Lord Mayor of London £2, which would ordinarily have been spent on sweets and fruit, to help the less fortunate children in the bombed areas of London.

Perfumes Aid War Drive

RARE and new perfumes are being produced in the heart of bombed London for export as part of the Government's plan to secure foreign currency.

They go overseas as perfume, and return as a snuff of gunpowder for the Nazis, as part of the British trade drive to corner the former French world market.

The man mainly responsible for this wartime exchange of smells is Mr W. A. Poucher, a leading research chemist.

Secret Formulas

In his laboratory in Piccadilly, Mr Poucher conjures up all the perfumes of Arabia from castor oil, coal tar, whale-flesh and other queer raw materials.

"Some of the materials I use are very much on the secret list, and the formulas are kept locked up in a safe," this six-foot-tall, chemist told a reporter.

Mr Poucher has roamed the world in search of out-of-the-way plants, roots and tree barks, as well as strange animals, which yield ingredients for scent.

CARY GRANT'S Family Bombed

RELATIVES of Cary Grant, the Bristol-born film star, were killed in a recent air raid on Bristol.

His uncle and aunt, Mr and Mrs John Henry Leach, their daughter, son-in-law and grandson, lost their lives when a bomb hit their house, Cary Grant, whose real name is Archibald Leach, lived in Bristol until he was 15.

Murderers' Scaffold Broadcast

ONE of the most remarkable broadcasts ever arranged was planned to take place at Caldwell Prison, Idaho, prior to the hangings of four condemned murderers recently.

The sheriff had given permission to broadcasting station K-M-L-B for this Macabre feature, which it had announced would illustrate that "crime does not pay."

At the last moment both the State Governor and the Attorney-General intervened and prohibited the prisoners using the microphone.

Instead, the radio announcer read the convicts' prepared script.

All four condemned men expressed disappointment at the fact that they were prohibited from speaking over the air.

Two claimed religious conversion.

Governor's Cup Match To-day Ends 1940/41 Soccer Season

Association Defence May Turn Tide Against Chinese Federation

(By "Scrambler")

THE PLAY-OFF for the Governor's Cup between the Association and the Chinese Federation on the Club ground to-day will mark the end of the official soccer 1940/41 season, although tomorrow will find the cream of local players embarking on board the Sai On for Macao to compete against the Portuguese Colony.

The Chinese team have fared none too well this season. In previous years they have carried off most of the major competitions. Having lost the most coveted major trophy, the International, the Chinese will go all out to clinch this issue, and they have selected a very representative side.

On paper, their line-up is the more impressive, but one cannot judge from this as evidenced in their defeats during the season. Comparing the respective sides, one will find that the Chinese have a better all-round attack, but in defence they cannot claim to have any advantage, for in Roughley and Fraser, the Association have a pair of backs that are second to none in this Colony. The Chinese combination of Tsang Chung-wan and Ng Kee-cheong, although sound, are nevertheless shaky under pressure.

Freshwater, Bright and Thomas, of the Diehards' fame, need no introduction to the soccer world, for their past displays as middle guard in representative matches have proved their work. Bright is a tower of strength in the key post, and his duels with the redoubtable Lee Wal-tong have always proved a source of great inconvenience to the Chinese idol.

Lau Hing-choy, Hsu King-sing and Soong Ling-sing are smooth in their working, and their understanding and positional play are their chief asset. Against a robust attack, they may not be so competent, and unless they are able to stand up to shock tactics, they may find themselves lacking.

The Chinese attack with Lee Wal-tong in it is always a threat to any opposition locally, and with Chan Tak-fai fit once again after his unfortunate accident, will take some stopping. V. K. Hui of Eastern will very probably lead the attack, and in Hsu Ching-tau he will have a very fast winger, especially suited to his type of play as he invariably swings the ball more to his wingers. C. T. Tsao is the other winger.

More Weight

THE Association's attack has more weight behind it, especially in Fowler and Howlett. The right winger has been quite conspicuous of late with his marksmanship, and his swift runs down the field will prove quite a problem to the Chinese. Le Page, the forger, and Ferrier, the schemer, will be aiding the wily Howlett, and with Rietsen on the extreme left, the Association is not far behind in attack.

The game is worth going a long way to see, in view of the fact that each have won once. The result will very likely hinge on the respective defences, and for this, I believe that the Association stands a very good chance of bringing off a coup.

The Interport

NINETEEN players have been invited to make the trip to Macao, and it strikes me as being extraordinary how the intermediate line is so sadly neglected. They have asked three keepers, four forwards to go, and the halves asked are not quite representative of the Colony.

However, putting all together, Hongkong has put up an eleven to beat Macao, whose standard is still far below ours.

Teams:
Association: Bankier, Roughley, Fraser, Freshwater, Bright, Thomas, Fowler, Le Page, Howlett, Ferrier, Rietsen.

Federation: Cheung Wing-choy; Tsang Chung-wan, Ng Kee-cheong; Lau Hing-choy, Hsu King-sing, Soong Ling-sing; C. T. Tsao, Chan Tak-fai, V. K. Hui, Lee Wal-tong, Hsu Ching-tau.

Interports asked: Bankier, Cheung Wing-choy, Lapsley; Roughley, Tsang Chung-wan, Blackburn, Soong Ling-sing, Maxwell, Pope, Fraser; Fowler, Fung King-cheung, Hendy, Lee Wal-tong, Hsu Ching-tau, Ferrier, Howlett, Le Page, Rietsen.

U.S.A. Challenge For International Shield



Newcomers to Softball . . . The Canton Truelight Girls' School softball team that meets the Maple Leaf Canuckettes in the featured event in the School's annual gymnastic field day, to-day, at 4 p.m. at Stubbs Road. Miss Chau, the gym instructor, is on the extreme left, and Bill Woo, their coach, on the right of the back row.

SPLENDID BADMINTON NEXT WEEK

Monday Matches Altered

WHATEVER interest may be lacking in the cricket and tennis this year, there is certainly no such state of affairs in badminton. As anticipated, the 1941 championships have brought forth not only new players, but new talent that has astonished local enthusiasts.

In K. W. Choy, for instance, the Colony has been given an eye opener as to the further possibilities there are in badminton. In the doubles, there have been combinations that have been most pleasantly surprising.

Undoubtedly, the best matches to date have been those involving Patrick Wong, last year's triple champion, the University trio of K. W. Choy, P. K. Hui and M. P. Young, A. Au, Wong's doubles partner, and the doubles combination of H. C. Eardley and N. L. Smith.

The women have yet to show their paces, for in the Mixed Doubles matches to date they have not played as prominent and spectacular a part as they will in their own doubles competition.

Rising Standard

THE Colony standard is most definitely on the up grade. This has been shown in the Junior matches in which quite a number of the players have revealed a standard both high and evenly distributed.

Now, the Colony Championships come, their semi-final and final stages, and what is truly the cream of the players will be in opposition. In the Senior Singles, K. C. Choy has been conceded the edge over Patrick Wong, for though neither are yet in the final, it is anticipated that such will be the pairing.

Wong, however, has a stiff match ahead when he meets M. P. Young, the Cambridge badminton Blue.

Great Doubles

THE first of the great matches will be in the doubles when Wong and Au, the champions, meet Choy and K. B. Low in the semi-finals. This will be a match worth any amount of travelling inconvenience to watch. This, together with the other semi-final will be played at the Kowloon C.C. on Tuesday, April 22.

Alteration
MONDAY'S schedule has suffered a slight alteration. M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva have been conceded a walk-over by H. C. Eardley and his sister, Mrs. Torrible, for the former finds that his wartime duties prevent him from being able to play. In its stead, at 5.30, J. Odell will meet A. L. Fisher in the Junior Singles semi-final.

Softball Schedule

SUNDAY
Girls at K.F.C.
9.30 a.m. China v. Great Britain
Men at K.F.C.
10.45 a.m. India v. China
Noon America v. Portugal
TO-DAY
At Stubbs Road
4.00 p.m.
Canuckettes v. Truelight Girls' School

Sprint Record

WOLCOTT'S brilliant race followed another great race in which Thomas East, comparatively unknown sprinter from Cheney (Pa.) State Teachers College, equalled the world's record of 6.1s. for the 50-yard dash in upsetting defending champion Norwood "Barney" Ewell of Penn State.

East, a lanky Negro built much like Penn State's Negro star, beat Ewell by a wide margin in their qualifying heat, but less than two inches separated them at the finish of the final.

Tilden Rates Suzanne Greatest Of Great

SUZANNE LENGLEN, the French star, and a couple of California girls, Helen Wills Moody Roark and Alice Marble, rank as perhaps the greatest women players in tennis history.

Which was the best? That's a question which can be argued late into the night. Each reached her peak at a different time.

But Bill Tilden, probably the all-time best of the male players and one who saw each of the girls at her best, gives top rating to Suzanne.

Alice Marble Most Brilliant

TILDEN says that for fine day-after-day play he believed Miss Wills was more consistent than Miss Marble. However, Big Bill concedes that Alice, on her best days, is possibly the most brilliant star tennis has known. "She possesses the widest range of shots," he explained, "and is certainly the finest of all women volleyers."

These players have passed on now and amateur tennis is searching for another queen. Miss Lenglen died in 1938. Mrs. Roark has virtually retired from competition and Miss Marble is a professional.

First Professional

MISS Lenglen was the first of the better women players to turn professional. That was back in 1923



Above: Helen Wills Moody
Right: Suzanne Lenglen
Below: Alice Marble



when she made a successful tour of this country. Mrs. Roark resisted the professional call but Miss Marble answered it after winning her third successive United States championship.



WOLCOTT SETS WORLD RECORD FOR HIGH HURDLES

PHILADELPHIA — Fred Wolcott, of Rice Institute, set a new world record of 6.1s. for the 50-yard high hurdles before a crowd of 5,000 at the fourth annual Penn A. C. indoor meet at Convention Hall.

The former record of 6.2s. was set in 1932 by Jack Keller of Ohio State. Several had equalled Keller's record since then.

Wolcott's record was set in the final, but the Texan also won his qualifying heat in the same time. His first time would not have been recognized as a world's mark, however, since only two time-keepers instead of the required three clocked him at 6.1s. In the final, four time-keepers clocked him at 6.1.

Britain And China Clash In Girls' Competition

Newcomers To Softball

(By "Ball Fan")

ENTERING the International softball series scene for the first time this year, America's powerful "panzer-clouting" diamond stars make their debut as star-spangled banner representatives to-morrow in their clash with the mighty Portugal machine who have avowed to cart away the Jimmy King Challenge Shield for their first International series win.

The defending champions, bearing the colourful emblem of India, should be able to enter the cherished finals with a win over the weak willow-clubbing gang from China.

Women Internationalists competing for All-Nation honours will make a start in the three-game opener at the Kowloon ball stadium, when Great Britain's challenging Wampas Stars tackle the China lassies.

This afternoon at 4 p.m. the Canadian Chinese belles are booked to tackle the Canton Truelight Girls' school team in the featured event of the School's annual gymnastic field day at their Stubbs Road ball park.

OPENING the mixed three game "All-Nation" card to-morrow at the Kowloon Football Club, Great Britain's ball-playing beauties are expected to stage a terrific battle against the defending champions from China with Doc Molthen, Kassa Nazarin and Caco Marques calling them.

Dixie Walker's British girls are all peppered up for this fray and will be out there playing "we must win" ball. In a surprise move, the Empire masterminds will send lefty Dolly Brown to the mound with the hard-hitting Yvonne Yolie behind the pitcher.

The infield appears to have balance, class and colour in abundance, with Jeanne Yollo on first, the speedy Kitty Bush and fiery Fitzgerald forming the keystone duo, and sure catching grandma Hutchinson on third.

Walker's girls will rely on a wide open "try everything" game in a big effort to halt China's champion maidens in the first round.

The Chinese cuties, with a powerful infield unit of Rene Yuen, Rosie Louie, Lily Mar and Gloria Mar to back up the starry Maple Leaf battery of Dot Louie and Mary Ng, are dead set on taking this game to enter the finals against Portugal next week.

At 10.45 a.m. with Nick Beltrao, Honus Waggoner and

Weekly Wind-up

Easter Monday's classic double header brought out a few new innovations to local softball bleachers — The Mohawks' colourful bat boy added real feathered colour to the Atlantic tussle.

Art Carmelo's tie too rhythm makers certainly had the girls nodding their approval with the O.K. sign — Music lends colour and extra attraction at any sporting event.

Betty Fitzgerald's three hits in a perfect day at bat during the girls' exhibition was a real highlight — The peppery Cardinal is just about tops in popularity out there with the gashouse mob — Junior Huelonso, youthful son of the League proxy, has rapidly left the rookie age and is now an important cog in the Filipino ball machine.

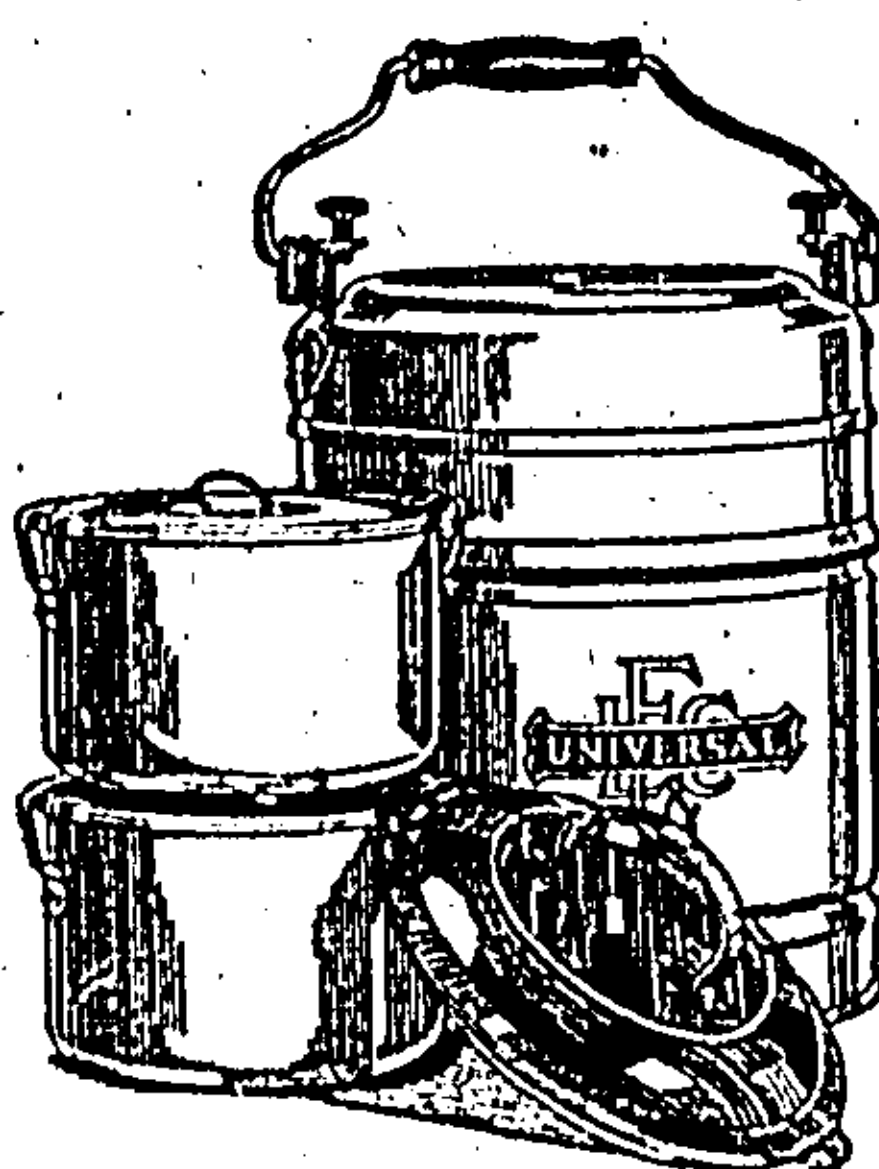
The Philippines gave China a tough battle before bowing out — Ditto Canada against India — The ball playing Saints put plenty of sting in these infield practices prior to their games — Dave, the old barn himself, went hitless in the two weekend games — Certainly gave the ball fans a roaring thrill — The Mohawk infield looked pretty shaky out there on Easter day — Either getting stale or the combination needs a change.

Mabel Dunn, Canuckette reliable infielder, is well on the highway to recovery after a long session of illness.

Charlie Figuereido refereeing, the hand picked Chinese contingent will clash with India.

Fresh from their bunch-hitting victory over the Maple Leafs last week, the defending champions are TURN to Page 5, Column Two

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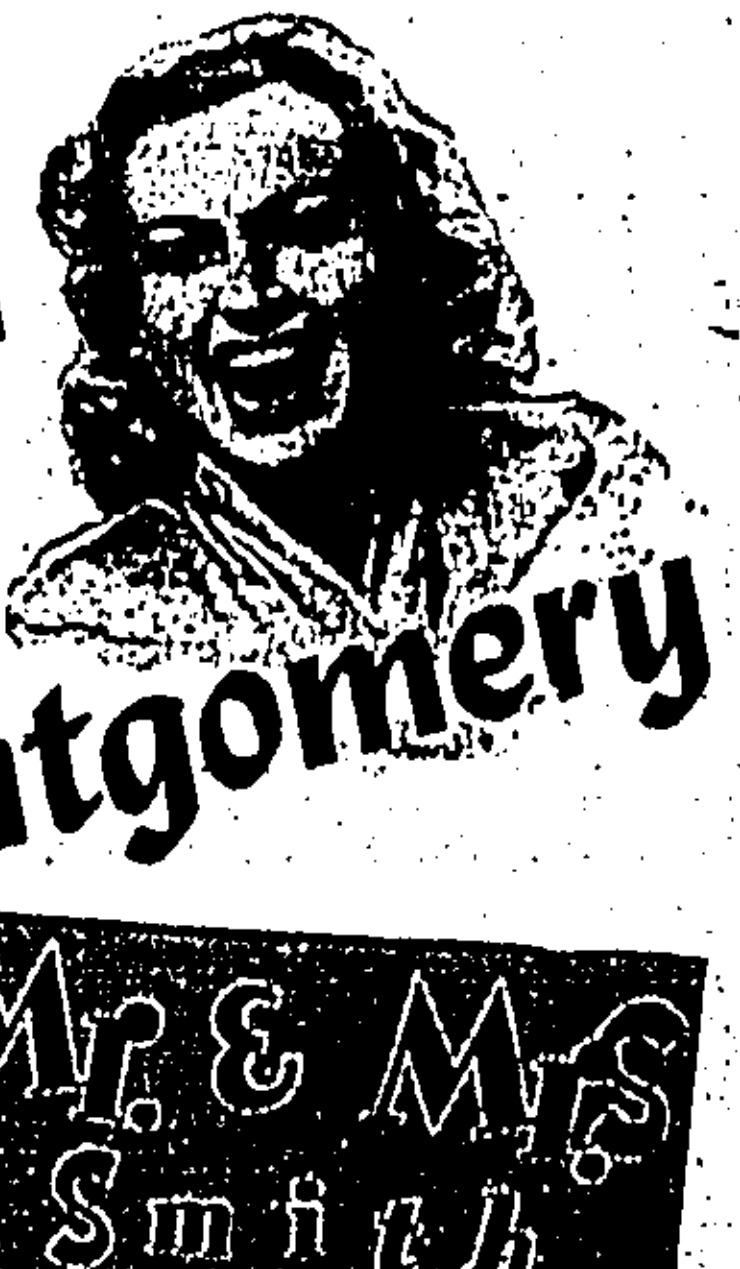
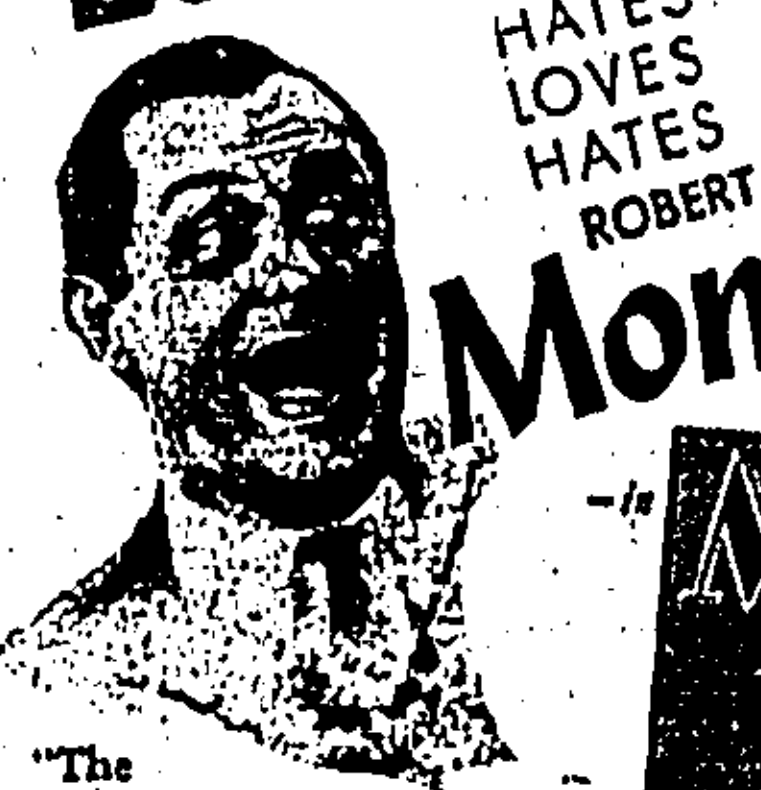
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Tournament Tennis

Tsui Yun-pui Enters Singles Final

H. D. Rumjahn Defeated

THE COLONY'S conception of its standard of tennis received a distinct uplift last night when Tsui Yun-pui beat H. D. Rumjahn on the Stand Court to enter the final of the Singles Championship. The scores were 6-8, 6-4, 7-5, 6-4.

At no time did interest flag. The players were most evenly matched and proceeded to give the best exhibition of the tournament to date. Baseline duels were the main feature of the play, and though usually these tend to give an exaggerated impression of skill, it was not the case yesterday in that the accuracy and excellence of the shots raised the match on their own value.

There was a delightful crispness about all the strokes, especially on the backhand, and though advances to the forecourt seemed to be the prerogative of Tsui, volleying there was brisk and invariably ended in outright winners.

H. D. seemed to favour the passing drive on these occasions and though they worked several times, when he caught Tsui napping on the forehand, the tactics were hardly profitable—not so much, perhaps, as lobbing would have been.

Tsui took the lead in the first set at 3-1. His service was remarkably accurate and strong for the first service, and throughout the games were occurring with delightful regularity. In this 4th game Tsui was down love-40, but with excellent driving which forced Rumjahn into errors, he came through to win.

H. D. then commenced on a series of accurate shots down the sidelines that won two games for him and put him on level terms. With the score 6-4, he had a glorious chance of taking the lead when he was 40-15 on his own service. He committed two remarkably weak errors that put Tsui on level terms and deuce was called six times before the game went to Tsui.

For the closing two games of the first set, Tsui was oddly erratic and inaccurate. He seemed to have dropped away.

Tsui On Top

FOR the second and third sets, Tsui had the slight edge over his opponent. On his service, his tactics of advancing to the net on every possible occasion brought him many points with a particularly fine backhand angled volley. H. D. led 2-1 and 3-2, but Tsui broke through on the seventh game to lead 4-3. Back to 4-4, however, went the score, though in this game Tsui ought to have taken the lead at 5-3, for he missed one of his volleys when right on top of the net.

He subdued H.D.'s stubborn resistance over the last two games, and went out winner at 6-4.

Tsui again lost an opportunity of taking a two games' lead, when, in the third set, he threw away points in the fourth game—on his own service. Then H.D. crept to 4-3, and then commenced a great duel for the important eighth game. Deuce was again called five times before Tsui won.

H.D. claimed his own service, and led again 5-4, but Tsui took two love games on his own service—the 10th and 12th—and in breaking through H.D.'s service in the 11th took the set at 7-5.

The Final Set

TSUI obviously had set himself to go all out in this set, for the light was rapidly deteriorating. He took a 2-0 lead, but H.D. executed some very fine cross-court drives to take his first game at 1-2.

Tsui never dropped a service game in this set, and led again 3-1, and from this point onwards, games followed service. But Tsui had taken the advantage when he had broken through H.D.'s service in the first game.

H.D. all but lost the 5th game, however, when, after leading 40-love on his own service, Tsui took the score up to two deuces before losing. The seventh and eighth games were important. To win the 7th would have put Tsui 5-2 ahead. H.D., however, showed no tension in his play, and with surprising freedom strokes won the 7th to be only one game behind.

With his own service, however, Tsui served two lovely aces and the lead was sufficient to capture the game, to lead 5-3. Up to 5-4 went the score on H.D.'s service, but with Tsui's service working so well, and with the two sets points in his hand eventually, there was little doubt then as to the outcome of the match. But the match was not won until the last stroke had been played, though on the whole Tsui deserved his success.

Macao Programme

The following is the programme of the Macao Jockey Club's next meeting, which will be held on the Arco de Feito, Macao, on Sunday, May 4, the first saddling bell to ring at 2.30 p.m.:
 1.20 p.m.—The Kwan Chap Handicap, First Section, A Handicap for Hongkong Jockey Club "E" Class China ponies. Six furlongs.
 1.30 p.m.—The Kwan Chap Handicap, Second Section, A Handicap for Hongkong Jockey Club "E" Class China ponies. Six furlongs.
 1.40 p.m.—The Nam Wan Handicap, For Hongkong Jockey Club "E" Class China ponies. Six furlongs.
 1.50 p.m.—The Chairman's Cup, a handicap, A forced entry for "E" Class China ponies. One mile.
 Note: Only one entry will be made for the Kwan Chap Handicap, races 1 and 2, but entries will be divided into first, second and third sections at the discretion of the Handicapper.

U.S.A. Challenge For Shield

(Continued from Page 4.)

shooting for a second round win over the snappy China Crew.
 India's heavy clouting outfield with Savage Hassan, Jindo Hussain and Cyclone Baker forming the dangerous fly-shagging trio, are called on, by India's gashouse faithful, to break loose with heavy clouting out there on the diamond. India has a consistent-playing representative team this year who are in there continually displaying flashy ball.

Against this smart playing nine, the Chinese are hoping for a return to form of stellar mountaineer Herbie Quon. Grandpa Leung's cohorts are all set to play a quick bunting game in an effort to come through with a win.
 Lunie Ah, Wally Ching, Nip Lum, Luke Bunn, Dick Chung et al., are all seasoned players who can give most any team a real battle royal.

The Chinese, however, have a weak-clouting brigade at the platter, and must play alight ball for a try at coming in with a "squeeze through" victory.

THE nightcap at noon with Grandpa Leung, Nip Lum and A. R. Kitchell officiating will feature the heap big game of the day, when America enters the scene in their fracas with Portugal.

Harry Noronha's stars breezed in with an easy win last Sunday, and are eagerly eyeing the coveted post season shield which they are all set to nab.

This year's edition of Uncle Sam's powerful softball team appears to be about the strongest ever to represent the Stars and Stripes and many are looking forward to a good seeing America win her first shield victory since the start of the international series.

The United States all-stars will probably start with the irrepressible Mohawk lineup intact, with the colourful Lou Leight moving back to the hot corner to stabilize the powerful Fitch-Leight duo once again. Red-hot Joe Marks, the Colony's shindout himsnatcher, and as popularity as the best, is expected to form the battery mate of speckled Cy Jones.

The United States will field a well-balanced team with plenty of class and colour galore; a team that is extremely popular with all ball fans for their hard-fighting yet sportsmanlike qualities.

THIS afternoon at 4 p.m. Truelight Girls' School will make their initial bow in local softball circles at the school ball park on Stubbs Road when they take on the strong Canukette Maple Leafs in the featured event of a field day programme.

The Canton school girls, all rookies at the game, are set to make their initial appearance before local ball fans, a real big one, and will be out to give the Maple Leafs a tough tussle.

Truelight's battery combination of Margery Woo and hurler Lai Bile-woon will be backed by a hard-fighting but inexperienced infield with Jee Yuen-ching on first, the keystone duo of Jennie Wong and Rosie Lau, and Colonies Jee on third.

The students have put in with real hard training and in this, their initial fray, are eager to come through with a hard playing game against the Canadian-Chinese belles.

Jockey Club Handicaps For April 26

Handicaps for the events to be run at the Jockey Club meeting on April 26 are:
 1.—Talmoshan Handicap, D Class, (From the two mile post, once round and in.) Blue Field 132, Bonlat Day 140, Celtic Star 152, Eve of Hunting 157, Eve of Paradise 152, Forty Six 147, Guinness Time 149, King Worthy 135, Lovely Star 150, Lovely View 152, Mauber 152, Rose-Queen 151, Scenic View 142, Strathban-neck 150, Valorous 153, West Lake 140.
 2.—St George's Plate, B Class, (One and a quarter miles)—Avon 152, Charlesber 144, Eve of Dancing 133, Eve of Grandeur 151, Eve of Reason 141, Galaxy 143, Gay Star 150, Hillbore Bay 144, Hopeful Star 153, Hummer 140, Joiner 156, Resling Time 149, Sam's Choice 140, So Nice 142, Wonderful Scheme 140, World Fair View 140.
 3.—Broken Hill Handicap, D Class, (One and a quarter miles), First Section—A Happy Time 152, A Luxurious Time 145, A Surprising Time 137, Coloma 148, Conqueror 140, Fair Chance 145, First Love 141, Glorifying 137, Hole in One 142, Mantel 142, Man-O-War 149, Moonlight 145, National Courage 142, Starlight 150, The Nineteenth Hole 145, Tomado Star 142.
 10.—Second Section—Catterick Bridge 140, Contact 140, Coyote 140, Devonian 135, Frazil Air 140, Happy 140, Joan 140, Jus Gentium 152, Lex Fori 133, Man 140, National Welfare 145, Onuma Fide 152, Pumpernickel 141, Rowan 147, Santa Anita 143, Triumphant Day 140, Venus Bay 137, Vixen Tor 147, Wayworth 145.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, has appointed the Hon. Mr. J. P. Pennefather-Evans to be Chief Security Officer, and revoked the appointment of the Hon. Mr. C. G. Perdue as such.



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1.45 Variety with Ronald Frankau.

The Maetres, Elizabeth Welch and Others.

2.15 Close Down.

2.45 Indian Programme.

3.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Prokofiev—Peter and the Wolf (Orchestral Fairy Tale, Op. 67).

Serge Koussevitzky and the Boston Symphony Orchestra, Narrator: Richard Hale.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Talk by Sir Hugh Walpole.

7.30 London Relay—Special Broadcast to British Forces in the Far East.

8.00 London Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 Rachmaninoff (Piano) and Temilanka (Violin).

8.30 London Symphony Orchestra with Charles Kullman (Tenor).

8.50 London Relay—The News.

9.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".

9.30 Local Sport Results.

9.33 Film Selections.

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave Only).

10.00 London Relay—"Oil" Variety with Flanagan and Allen and Gerald and His Orchestra.

11.00 Dance Music.

12.00 Close Down.

To-morrow's Broadcast

10.00-11.00 Relay of Morning Service from St Joseph's Church.

12.15 p.m. Verdi—La Traviata—Act I.

12.50 Goldmark—"The Queen of Sheba"—Ballet Music.

Chicago Symphony Orchestra under direction of Frederick Stock.

1.00 Local Time Signal.

1.01 Jubilee Music Hall Parade 1910-1935.

1.20 Rale da Costa at the Piano.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Tchaikowsky—Symphony No 5 in E minor, Op. 64.

2.35 Close Down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Talk: "Britain Speaks".

7.30 Selections from Light Opera.

8.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 A Song by Elisabeth Schuman (Soprano).

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8.06 Beethoven—Concerto No. 1 in C major, Op. 15.

8.45 Studio—Book Reviews.

9.00 London Relay—The News.

9.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".

9.30 Compositions of Coleridge-Taylor with his Petite Suite de Concert played by London Symphony Orchestra.

9.45-10.15 News in French (on Short Wave Only).

10.00 Choral Programme.

10.15 Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue.

Conducted by a Minister of the Church of England.

10.35 Close Down.

K.C.C. Rinks

K.C.C. rinks to meet Cragengower at Kowloon at 3.15 p.m. to-day are: V. C. Labrum, L. Jack, R. D. Wellwood, E. C. Fincher.
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 Reserves, H. Brokenshire, H. Langley.

The number of Emigrants leaving the Colony for the Straits Settlements during the month of March was 3,019.

NO EVACUATION FROM TURKEY

Some Refugees Go

ANKARA, Apr. 18 (Reuter).

—Only British refugees from the Baltic states and more recent arrivals from the Balkans have been evacuated from Turkey.

Some may have left of their own accord but no general order or advice on evacuation has been issued by the British Embassy. No-one has been moved at the Government's expense under the Turkish partial evacuation.

Nazi Mission To Far East Manchukuo & Japan

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Apr. 19 (Domei).—A German economic and goodwill mission is arriving on April 19 in Hsin-king to confer with Manchukuoan authorities, resuming its journey to Tokyo on April 23.

Herr Wohltat, the head of the mission, is also the superintendent of the Netherlands Bank. The mission includes Dr. Voce, chief of the Far Eastern Section of the Trade Bureau of the Foreign Office; Dr. Joachim von Spindler, chief of the Far Eastern Affairs Section of the Economics Ministry; Herr Buchwald, member of the Far Eastern Section of the Ministry of Economics; Herr Nelson, chief of the Far Eastern Affairs Section of the Ministry of Food; and Herr Rosenbuch, representative of the Reichsbank.

SHOT DOWN OVER PORTSMOUTH

Nazi Raiders Pay

LONDON, Apr. 18 (Reuter).

—It is learned in London that three enemy bombers were destroyed on Thursday night over Britain.

Two were shot down by anti-aircraft fire in an attack on Portsmouth.

There was very little enemy activity in daylight over Britain to-day and there are no reports of bombs dropped anywhere.

SCHULENBERG Leaves Moscow To Report To Berlin

LONDON, Apr. 18 (Reuter).—A

Wilhelmstrasse spokesman said to-day that Count von der Schulenberg, the German Ambassador to Soviet Russia, is at present in Berlin.

"He is expected to make a report," the spokesman added.

Count von der Schulenberg left Moscow, it is understood, shortly after the Soviet Government had denounced Hungary's invasion of Yugoslavia last week.

New Essential Services

More trades and industries are considered as essential services for the purpose of the Defence Regulations according to a notification in the "Government Gazette," which states that the services are of public utility and essential for the prosecution of the war and the life of the community.

The industries referred to are dockyards and shipping yards; iron, copper, brass and other foundries or other places in which the process of founding or casting any metal is carried on, with the exception of any places where such work is carried on by not more than five persons and as a subsidiary to the repair or completion of other work.

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PILULES FOR PATRIOTS

SCIENCE will have to be taken
more largely into the consid-
erance of the Government if the
feeding of the British people
through this period of shipping
restrictions is to be conducted
without harm to the national
health. Americans have shown
that they are aware of this, and
have suggested the use of
vitamin and mineral element
concentrates, which they could
send to Britain in sufficient
quantities.In brief, this means that
instead of having to import, for
example, large cargoes of
oranges for their anti-scorbutic
properties, Britain could attain
the same results by importing
boxes of capsules that would
occupy only a small fraction of
the ship-space.Professor V. H. Mottram, of
London University, while ap-
proving of the innovation, thinks
that it would be hard to convert
public opinion to it. Scots, he
says, might be persuaded to take
their vitamins in pilules, but
anything of that sort would be
too upsetting to the gravity of
the Englishman.Perhaps it is the Scotsman's
lack of humour (as the English-
man sees it), that enables him
to take pilules seriously. But it
has never been suggested that
the Englishman is anywhere
behind the Scot in addition to
patent medicines that take the
form of pills. These do not out-
rage English sense of humour,
else the business of providing
pills and capsules for the British
public would not be so profitable.And if one does not boggle at
swallowing pills to cure, say,
lumbago, why should one reject
capsules loaded with vitamins?
To the ordinary mind they would
seem at least as likely to deliver
the goods.

He'll Try It Soon!

INVASION
IN FOUR
PARTSThe following forecast of Hitler's
plans for the Spring, written before
the opening of the Balkan offensive
and the drive in Libya, is a very
sound analysis of Axis aims and
strategy. The writer is the Political
Correspondent of the London "Daily
Express."

By GUY EDEN

IT is considered certain
that as soon as the
weather—political as well as
natural—permits, Hitler will
make his new moves.They are likely to be in this
order:—

- (1) Action to force France to agree to the handing over to Hitler of the French colonial bases and probably the fleet;
- (2) A rush of aid to Mussolini in his Mediterranean and African difficulties;
- (3) A side-show of some kind in the Balkans;
- (4) The invasion attempt on Britain.

Several of these moves may be made at the same time to distract attention from the major aim: the attack on Britain.

First Step

The resumption of the air blitz on an intensive scale, particularly against communica-
tions and production centres in all parts of Britain, will, it is expected, be one of the first developments.

This, kept up night and day, would be intended to disorganise our defences and to hamper troop movements in preparation for the arrival of German troops.

The first troops would be dropped by parachute, to be followed by others landed in troop-carrying planes.

On Watch

British defence authorities are confident about the result. British diplomatic and intelligence officials all over the world are watching for developments which will give warning of the imminence of the invasion attempt.

Hitler's difficulty is that this time he is unable to follow his technique of "mopping up" one situation at a time. There are a number of problems all pressing for solution at once and all equally dangerous to him.

By trying to take on too much at the same time he may endanger the success of all his enterprises. This is an additional reason for the quiet confidence felt in British official quarters.

Far Eastern Defence
Front Consolidating

CO-OPERATION between Britain and the East Indies in a vast potential defensive machine against aggression east of Suez is steadily developing, and a democratic defensive chain, stretching from China through Burma, Malaya, and East Indies, New Guinea, Australasia, and Hawaii, and embracing Guam and the Philippines, is no longer a mere theoretic possibility.

This is the conclusion of the that in the event of a spread of Australian Associated Press the conflict China's co-operation special representative in Singa- would be very valuable.

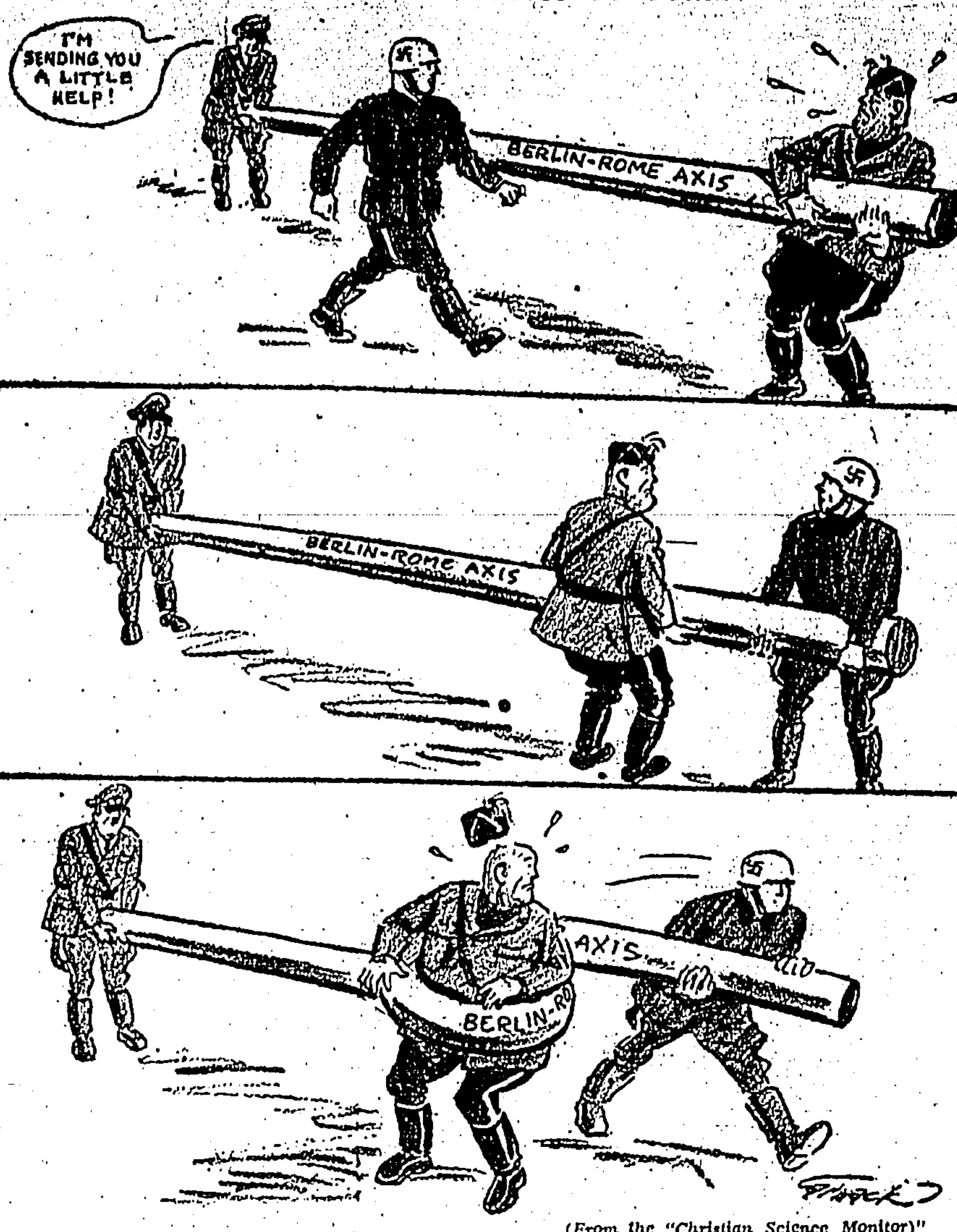
Two recent developments in the Eastern Hemisphere, he says, were the stationing of special American naval observers throughout the whole zone from Chungking to Sydney, and the tour of General Chang Chun, secretary-general of the Supreme National Defence Council of China and former Military Governor of Hopei.

Alliance Exists

A full defensive and economic alliance already exists in the great bloc of Empire countries comprising the Eastern Supply Group, and between this group and the Indies the closest co-operation already exists.

Relations between China and Britain and America are very happy, and there is no doubt and Indian oceans.

THE SHAPE OF THINGS TO COME?



(From the "Christian Science Monitor")

SHOCK TROOPS IN MALAYA LEARN
DEFENSIVE TACTICS
IN JUNGLE WARFARE

By HAROLD GUARD

United Press Staff Correspondent

SINGAPORE, April 19 (UP).—The theory, that the "back door" approaches to the fortress island of Singapore are sufficiently protected from northeast attack by natural jungle defences almost as strong as the coastal batteries which protect it from seaward attack, no longer holds good.

British forces in Malaya, particularly Indian troops, have proved that the Malayan jungle, even the densest virgin areas, is not impenetrable although in some parts visibility is limited to 10 or 20 yards ahead.

It is now common knowledge here that British, Australian and Indian troops in Malaya operate almost at will in jungle country, and patrols moving along a road or track will plunge into jungle at any given point and proceed on their mission.

The Officer Commanding an Indian regiment was recently told that a certain section of an area for which he was responsible was easy to defend because it was protected by jungle. He felt sceptical and decided to experiment. He took some of his men along a road to a point where the jungle appeared thickest, their equipment including a map, compass and Malay parangs (native cutting instrument).

The controversy regarding the supposed advantages of defence over attack has been fought out in Singapore military circles just as it has everywhere else in the world. The modern scheme of defence in Singapore, designed to protect the island from attack from any quarter, makes full use of the lessons learned in Flanders last year. Experts assert that an enemy would almost certainly endeavour to break his way through by infiltration tactics, probably using such armoured fighting vehicles as he had been able to land.

Path Through Jungle

He chose as his objective a point some eight miles distant—and he attained it within a few hours.

He found that, although the jungle appears at first sight to be so dense that no man could find his way through, it was merely the undergrowth which was thick, and the undergrowth is composed of saplings and shrubs which can be cut down with a parang—a most adaptable hand weapon. Also he found that the giant trees of the tropical forest grow at intervals, and a path can be made between their trunks.

Staff officers inspected the area. They watched the Indian sepoys in rhythm swinging their parangs in extended file, mowing a path through the jungle which was considered impenetrable.

Lesson Learned

A lesson was learned and, as a result, the defence scheme for that enterprise in the difficult, uncharted area was changed and soon applied elsewhere which the Malayan terrain to other areas. Now the inhospitable presents.

Defensive Tactics

Defensive infantry tactics in Malaya are based on the principle that the enemy must be hunted down and harried at every turn—it is the defenders who must attack, if possible before the enemy has had a chance to strike.

Such tactics render familiarity with jungle conditions essential. Malaya is not a country suited to positional warfare because there are no long fronts to be defended; according to military quarters, while agreeing that static defence carried out from trenches and pill-boxes on the beaches for example, state that it cannot be depended on in every circumstance.

Shock Troops

For this reason, military quarters said, land forces in Malaya are now being trained primarily as "shock troops" and the effectiveness of defence tactics depends to a great extent on the initiative and the difficult, uncharted area was changed and soon applied elsewhere which the Malayan terrain to other areas. Now the inhospitable presents.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 1941.

SILVER STREAM CAMP



1.—The raw material for the rope made are the leaves of the wild pineapple, which grows in abundance on Lappa. The children above are peeling off the leaves and cutting them into strips, which are then soaked in water for a week to soften them, as at left.



3.—After the strips are dry, the women take up the work, piecing the fibres together and twisting them. The upper semi-circle shows a woman putting the fibres together, and the lower shows other women beginning the final part of the process by imparting a soft twist.



2.—When the strips are well soaked, the children squeeze out the water and clean the strips, as seen above.



4.—After a soft twist, the rope is given a hard twist, as at right. Then the rope is ready for use. Note the traditional native contrivance used in the manufacture.

These pictures show one branch of the activities at the Silver Stream Camp, on Lappa Island, near Macao, where the Canton Young Women's Christian Association is caring for 140 children, 65 mothers and 19 old people, all refugees of war from nearby Chungshan and from San Tso Island, which is now a Japanese air base.

The children are given education and trained in various economic pursuits. Rope-making is a small but thriving industry. Besides this, the children learn carpentry, basket-making and other crafts and also raise poultry and pigs and vegetables.

For the work that they do, the children are given paper tokens, money, which they deposit in a camp bank and with which they are free to purchase what they need in clothes, books, candy, toys and other things.

The water in the vicinity is clear and pure, and this contributes to the quality of the rope manufactured, which is sold in large quantities to the fishermen near the district.

CURRENT COMMENT . . . By Scrutineer

The position in Libya does not neutralise the brilliant campaign recently completed by General Wavell, certainly not in a military sense, for there is a vast difference between the annihilation of the Italian army of a million with the seizure of all its supplies, and a strategic retreat to a prepared base at Mersa Matruh. In a psychological sense, however, there is a sense of defeat, but the matter must be considered from the point of view of the war as a whole and not as an isolated decisive engagement. It would be that if our troops were driven out of Alexandria.

There was similar feeling when the British withdrew in 1940 in face of superior forces. Since then the Italians have been eliminated from East Africa and routed in Cyrenaica and their fleet crippled at Matapan.

After the rout of the Italians in Libya our troops had to be transported to Greece, where the German Embassy officials noted their arrival. These troops had to be escorted to Athens by our fleet. It was, therefore, easy for the Germans to transport material over the narrow sea between Sicily and Tripoli, while their troops were taken across on carrier planes.

We had not the necessary resources to police Libya and at the same time guard all the sea routes.

In the last war the full weight of the Allied effort was not experienced until two or three years after the war had started. It is the penalty the democracies must pay for their system which is an organisation for peace and not for war.

It takes time for America and the British Empire to turn their ploughshares into swords, but as their industrial resources are so vast their weapons of destruction will ultimately secure mastery. Germany has had seven years start; she has also been fighting in inner lines on the continent, over which transport of men and equipment is comparatively easy.

GERMANY'S WAR OVERSEA

In Libya she is overseas, with a base in Sicily. Some Free Frenchmen think she is using Bizerta, which is only 70 miles away and is controlled by a pro-Italian governor. This is probably not true, but it is a fact that German transports have gone through French neutral waters. At Benghazi she is from her base, and supplies can be interrupted by our bombers and submarines. The destruction of the Italian convoy of five transports and three destroyers, together with the naval support rendered to the garrison of Tobruk, proves that the control of the coast is in the hands of the British.

It is not reasonable to suppose that the Germans can maintain a line of communication for 500 miles over the desert in the heat of summer, which will be necessary for the supply of petrol and food, seeing that the R.A.F. will harass such a line with the help of the naval units. The prepared defences of Mersa Matruh should also prove an insuperable obstacle when strengthened with the victorious troops from East Africa.

The North African campaign has proved that the tank in modern warfare is of overwhelming importance, but it is fair to assume that the British, who invent it, also know how to use it and will be able to find an antidote to it.

RUSSIA AND THE AXIS

In order to be in a position to sign a pact with Russia, it seems to be necessary for the contracting party to have gone through a process of villification of Russian Communism. The Nazi party under Hitler came into power by concentrating their attack upon the Communists, who were accused of being the cause of every ill from which Germany was suffering. Concentration camps, with all their horrors, were filled with German Communists.

Goebbels achieved his greatest success by his denunciation of Communism, in which the vilest and most rabid phrases seemed to be inadequate to express German detestation of the Russian system. Hitler said the Russian Communists were the scum of humanity, and that any treaty signed with Stalin would prove the death knell of Germany. Exhibitions were held in Munich, Nuremberg and Berlin at which the evils of Communism were illustrated and portrayed.

Japan signed an anti-Comintern pact with Germany when the flood of anti-Russian oratory was at its height because that was also the mood of Japan. She, too, was terrified of dangerous thought, as Communism in Japan was called, and filled her prisons with those who expressed their sympathy with Russian views. In 1937 she went to war with China in order to destroy Russian influence there.

In August, 1939, Ribbentrop signed a pact with Russia, and fulfilled the main part of Japan's foreign policy as well as her own. From that moment Germany's chief task was to persuade Japan to follow her example and come to terms with her tradi-

tional enemy. Japan has done so thus proving that her foreign policy is now directed from Berlin.

Germany's primary aim is to involve Japan in a clash with the United States and Britain, and this can only be done if Japan is free from fear of Russia. Russia encourages Japan to go south; in the same way, for a similar reason, she signed the August pact last year to encourage Germany to go West.

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Thus Russia purchases immunity from immediate attack and hopes that her erstwhile enemies will so weaken themselves in the struggle outside her borders that they will be in no position to damage Russia in the future.

It thus seems that Germany and Russia are making use of Japan solely for the purpose of advancing their own interests, and the strange thing is that Japan apparently is willing to fill the role assigned to her.

GREENLAND

The occupation of Greenland by the United States forces reminds us of the German plan of 1929 to establish an air route to America by way of Iceland.

This project was based on information supplied by a certain Bert Hassal, who thought he would fly from Rockford, in Illinois, to his home town in Sweden. He consulted Vilhalmur Stefansson, the noted Canadian Arctic explorer, who advised him to go to Greenland, the northern part of which is flat, hard and smooth as a billiard table.

The Luftwaffe officials who heard of this invited Hassal to Berlin, where they entertained him. The Germans then began to take a deep interest in Iceland, which was on the direct route. Instructions went across to teach the Icelanders how to slide. In their spare time they carefully surveyed the island and took to Germany a detailed knowledge of possible flying bases.

With Greenland under the control of the United States and Iceland

garrisoned by the British, it should be possible for American war planes of all kinds to fly to Britain and so save the shipping space. Further, it will now be easier to patrol the waters of the North Atlantic for the next six months, and thus enable our convoys to get across.

THE FRENCH EMPIRE

Germany's greatest need to-day is war ships for the Battle of the Atlantic and in order to get them she is trying to secure the co-operation of Admiral Darlan, whose role is to provoke Britain. That is why the shore batteries were ordered to attack the British warships on March 30; that is why Admiral Darlan ordered some capital ships to proceed to French ports from Africa. Fortunately, Marshal Petain forbade this. For every concession the Germans make they demand something substantial in exchange. They have the advantage in bargaining power, seeing that they occupy a considerable portion of France, and hold two million French prisoners.

On the other hand, the French Colonial Empire covers 7,500,000 square miles and has a population of 55 millions. At the beginning of last year, this empire was able to supply 3,500,000 tons of foodstuffs to France.

The Free Frenchmen know that Marshal Petain would never allow this Empire to fall into the hands of the Germans, but the Free Frenchmen say that is not enough. They demand that these resources should be used for the re-establishment of the honour of France. So far the honour of France of the French Empire, with a population of 6,250,000, have rallied to the Free French Movement, but de Gaulle will not be satisfied till the whole empire is behind him. He realises that the hours in which France has kept close to England have been the hours of her grandeur. The hours in which she has drawn apart from us have been the hours of her eclipse.

SPITFIRE BEATS DICTATOR

Racegoers and others too will be interested in the following extract from the Racing Calendar for 1781, Newmarket July meeting, Tuesday 10th, given in the London "Times".

Lord Egremont's Spitfire by Eclipse 8st. beat Lord Clermont's Dictator 8 st. 8.

The SNAPSHOT GUILD CHILDREN IN THE TUB



The bathtub is an excellent spot for delicate, high-key snapshots of children—and these shots are easy with high speed film and photo bulbs.

ONE of the most popular spots in the house, for snapshots of small children, is the bathtub. It's a natural location, not only because children are particularly appealing during the daily scrub, but also because the white walls and white tub lend a bright, high-key quality to the pictures.

The walls and tub serve both as background and as a series of reflectors, completely encircling the subject. Because of all these bright reflections, the shadows are very soft and clear—exactly the effect you want in a child picture. This effect can be obtained in other shots if you use several reflectors of white cloth or cardboard, to distribute the light—and it's a point well worth remembering. Most indoor snapshots could be improved 100 percent by the use of reflectors.

When you take snapshots in the bathroom, keep your photo lights fairly high, so that the light can get down into the tub. If the bathroom is rather small, one light can often be placed in a ceiling fixture, and the other used in a bridge lamp and

moved about as required. For box camera snapshots, on high speed film, use two No. 2 flood bulbs, with one in a ceiling fixture and the other in a bridge lamp 4 feet from the subject. Or, if you prefer to use two bridge lamps with reflectors, you can keep them both 4 feet from the subject and have a No. 1 bulb in the second lamp. I prefer the No. 2 bulbs because they give twice as much light and last about three times as long.

In most bathtub snapshots, the tub should be just about as bright as the subject. If you need it a bit darker (for example, when the young subject is having a shampoo and you want the white lather to show) just bring your subject to the near edge of the tub, and tilt the reflectors down a trifle. This shades the background just enough—be careful not to darken it too much.

Follow these suggestions next time you shoot some tub pictures of the "youngest member." You'll find they help make these snapshots even more attractive.

John van Guilder

MOTHER LONDON CHOSEN

Ald. Charles Key, M.P., the new London Regional Commissioner for Shelters, has found the woman he was looking for to fill the role of "Mother London."

She is Mrs Creswick Atkinson, and she has already started work as technical adviser to the Ministry of Health on social welfare in large shelters.

Wide Experience

With a corps of voluntary workers she will look after the thousands of mothers and children who frequent these shelters and help them to solve their problems.

Mrs Atkinson was chosen out of more than 200 applicants, one of whom wrote from the Hotel Europa, Lisbon. She was selected to do this new job by the Women's Voluntary Services, to which she had been (technical) adviser since 1938.

She is young-middle-aged—"Somewhere in the middle forties," was Ald. Key's guess. Her husband is Stoke Newington's chief A.R.P. warden. As the only woman member of Lord Horder's Shelters' Health Committee, Mrs Atkinson has already a wide experience of London's deep shelters.

Here is what Ald. Key had to say about his "Mother London":

"I hope London mothers and children will find in Mrs. Atkinson and her colleagues kind friends and wise advisers."

"She will also advise local authorities on the organisation of welfare work in large shelters, and work out a central organisation which will cover the whole of the London regional area."

As a sideline Mrs Atkinson will try to persuade mothers to evacuate their children and send them to school. There are still more than 80,000 children of school age in London, and 60 per cent. of them do not attend school.

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"TELEGRAPH" SATURDAY FEATURE
BEHIND THE HEADLINES
By JOHN BLUNT

On Sunday, April 6, I-Union of Oxford, given by a chanced-to-be-in-the-same-young-man-of-India. It was a garden where, it seems ages compelling in its sincerity, ago, I heard the news over masterly in eloquence, and the radio that England was brotherly in the universality at war with Germany. The of the appeal. The talk was, moment was sensational—as far as I remember, given momentarily stunning. in the series, "Working Together."

We were just a handful of men and women, looking forward to the approaching sunset which gave promise of being a little more lurid than usual. The sky was becoming tinged with orange and red, as though portending the news we half expected. There seemed to be a foreboding which we were hoping was groundless.

Suddenly, the Royal Proclamation came over the air. The National Anthem—and then the calmly pronounced instructions to the people of the British Isles, at that moment, plunged into war.

The grim and terrible reality was perhaps best recorded in the tear-laden eyes of a woman who, as though apologising for allowing her feelings to get the better of her, said, "And to think that at this moment people are probably being killed or terribly injured." Regaining her normal composure, she continued—"Well, we must do all we can to help win the war."

All this passed across my mind on a recent Sunday when the news was broadcast that Germany was at war with Yugo-Slavia and Greece. The news was followed by a talk by the President of the University

is a terrific task, but the British Government is finding the money, and the people at Home are enthusiastically helping to the limit of their capacity, in spite of the fact that many of them are seeing their worldly possessions destroyed. Greater than the mere burden of giving up material things, they experience the horrors of seeing innocent children shattered and maimed. All the concomitant ghastliness of war is at their doorsteps. They are undaunted. They need all the encouragement we can give them, and at the moment, that encouragement can only take the form of giving freely of our means to the common cause.

It is a matter for the greatest relief and thankfulness that but few homes in the Colony have suffered bereavement. The scourge of war has not as yet affected us, but that should be a reason for demonstrating thanksgiving by loosening our purse-strings.

The Chinese community has yet to demonstrate its friendship for the country which has brought prosperity and freedom to this, their small Colony. Their leaders have attempted to foster some semblance of enthusiasm. They must do more. It is for them to inculcate a sense of responsibility in the minds of the thousands of their compatriots—a feeling of personal responsibility in helping to win the common struggle.

Every colour; every race and every creed outside of totalitarianism is vitally concerned in the smashing of Hitler. "What the Colony needs, apparently, is a really influential committee, representative of every race in the Colony, whose one object shall be to ensure that Hongkong the response of the residents of shall play its part up to the hilt—shall give unstintingly—in finding between ten and short, that we shall get right down to really working together.

TELEGRAPH QUIZ

- Does any ruler to-day claim descent from Solomon?
- Rhodo is (a) a South American antelope (b) a mountain range (c) a medicine.
- If you called a man or woman a "pachyderm," what would you mean?
- Hitler's Germany is called the Third Reich. What was the first?
- Where does the sun rise and set at a uniform time always?
- Who wrote the music for (a) Chu Chin Chow (b) Maid of the Mountains (c) Show Boat?
- "Journey's end in lover's meeting" is a quotation from Shakespeare's (a) Much Ado About Nothing (b) The Merchant of Venice (c) Twelfth Night.
- How many Ministers without Portfolio are in the British War Cabinet?
- The directors of the Bank of England recently met to elect the Governor. Who now holds the post?
- Which newspaper has recently been awarded the medal of honour given each year to a newspaper outside the United States by School of Journalism of the University of Missouri.

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That one could live on love and cold water.

That one can't live on love and cold water.

That some crazy people talk of living on love and cold water.

That actors are wonderful men.

That pilots are wonderful men.

That there are some wonderful business-men.

That men are no more wonderful than women.

That her little in-a-kes lovely frocks.

That her tailor is expensive, but indispensable.

That her shoe-maker ought to invent children's shoes which don't wear out.

That her corsetiere ought to let her have corsets cheap.

That bridge is a boring pastime for others.

That bridge is a boring pastime.

That bridge is a great resource against boredom.

That bridge is indispensable for hostesses.

That an extra dollar would settle everything.

That another \$10 would settle everything.

That another \$100 would settle everything.

That 50 cents is 50 cents, after all.

That a garden is made to walk in in moonlight.

That one can pick flowers in a garden.

That a garden is useful for children to play in.

That a garden ought to supply fruit and vegetables.

That it's natural to be slim.

That it's easy to be slim.

That it's difficult to be slim.

That it's worth being slim.

That a man is attracted by beauty.

That a man is attracted by elegance.

That a man is attracted by intelligence.

That a man is attracted by the woman who loves him.

That a good meal is not worth the money.

That a good meal is agreeable.

That a good meal is fattening.

That after a good meal there's always something left over.

That a baby is a rather ugly doll.

That a baby is a demanding being.

That a baby is a demanding being.

That a baby is a pretty doll.

That a car should be fast.

That a car should look smart.

That a car should be roomy.

That a car should be well-sprung.

That everything is fine, because they love each other.

That everything is fine, because he loves her.

That everything is fine, because she loves him.

That everything is fine, because they really love each other.

That old age doesn't exist.

That one doesn't get old unless one wants to.

That one gets old quickly.

That one learns to get old.

That happiness is something one gets.

That happiness is something one shares.

That happiness is something one exchanges.

That happiness is something one gives.

When it rains, she takes her macintosh.

When it rains, she takes her umbrella.

When it rains, she takes her car.

When it rains, she stays at home.

That soon she will meet the dream of her life.

That soon she will meet the dream of her life.

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That soon she will meet the dream of her life.

What is the best age?

THIS is a question which usually brings in many different answers, yet I am sure that it is also one which can be answered in a more or less definite manner. With this end in view I recently put the query to a number of men and women of widely differing ages and in different walks of life.

My first victim was a business man of forty-five. Although he maintained that this was a topic dangerous to generalise upon, he gave it as his opinion that the best age is between thirty and forty. His reason for saying so was that the average person's powers are at their highest during that period of life.

I next asked a lady of eighty-five whose experience of life is as wide as that of anyone I know. In reply to my question she told me that she considered childhood the best part of one's life, since it was the only age at which one was ignorant of the world's many cares. Childhood, in her opinion, was the happiest and therefore the best age of one's life.

A youth of eighteen told me that he was looking forward to his early twenties. It appeared that he hoped then to do the best part of his work, and that he expected this to be the happiest period of his life. Again the standard was that of relative happiness.

Two school teachers agreed in their answers to my question. The best age, they said, is that which enables one to do the most efficient work. They agreed in putting this around thirty-five.

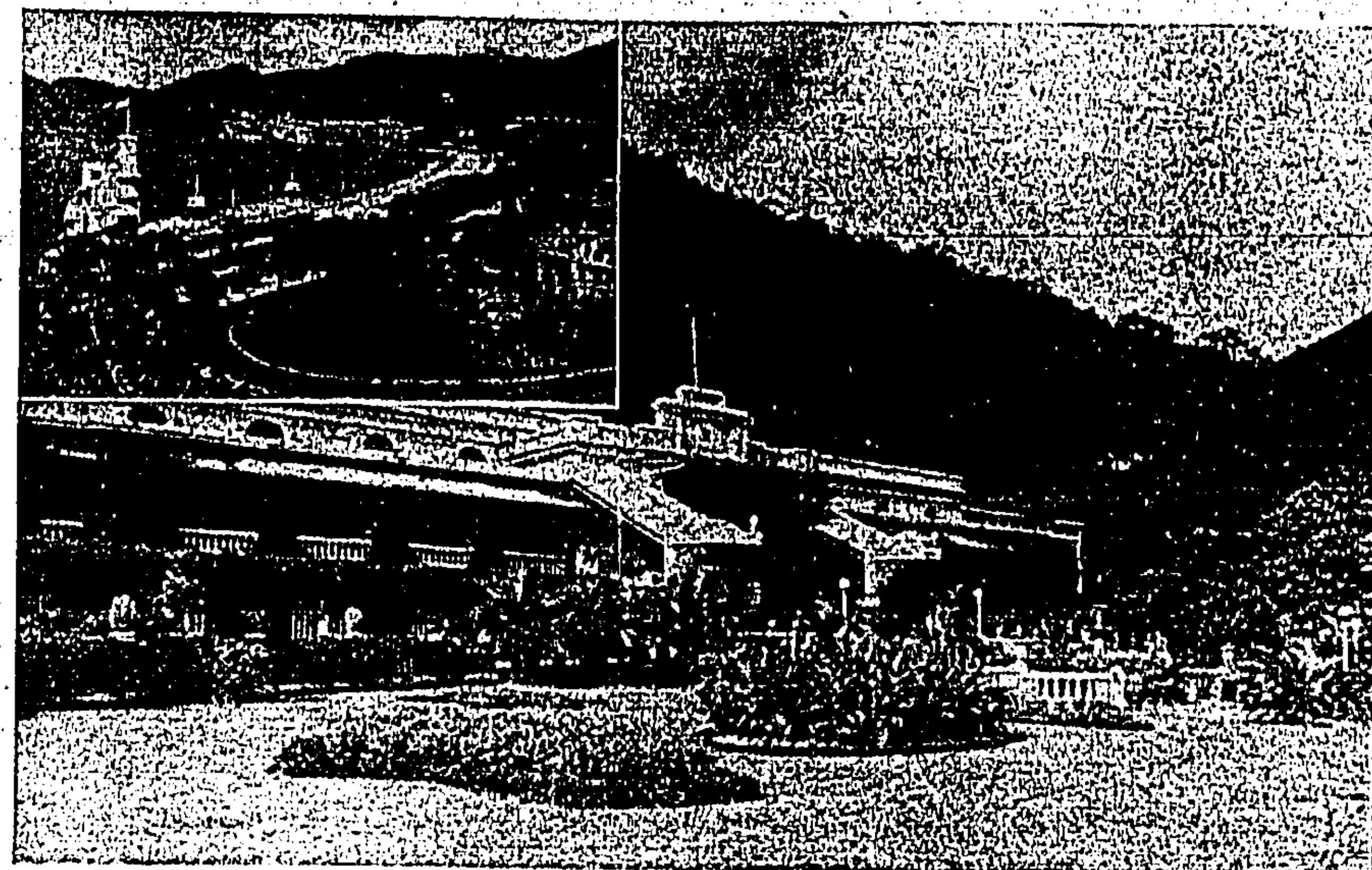
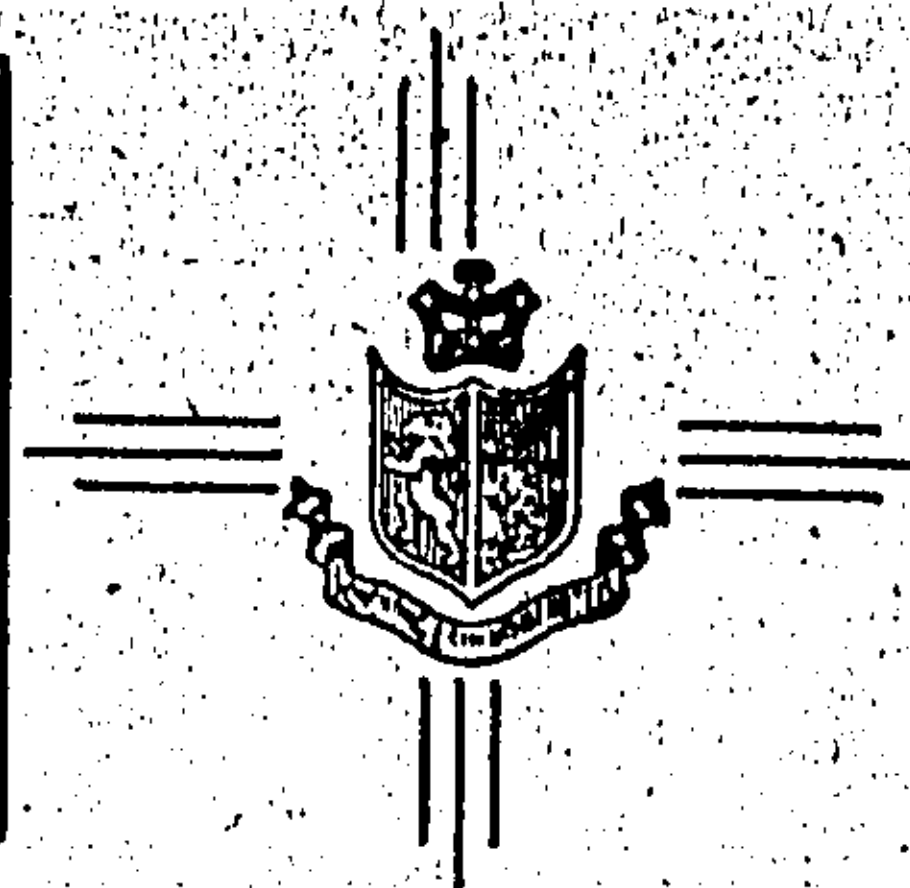
A young married woman was of the opinion that she had already passed the best age of her life. Her idea was that this is reached between the ages of eighteen and twenty-five, a period when one is not too young and not too old, and when one can enjoy life's pleasures to the full.

My last victim was a gentleman of seventy-two. At first he refused to give his opinion on the question, but when I pressed him to do so he told me that he considered thirty-five to forty as the best age. "You can do a lot of things when you're that age," he said.

On the whole it seemed that most people thought thirty to forty the best age of one's life. There were, of course, a few who disagreed, but the majority favoured this age.

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SPOTLIGHT ON BANABA

Little-known-of Banaba, better known on maps of the South Pacific Ocean as Ocean Island, has jumped into prominence with news that its residents have contributed \$50,000 to the British war chest.

The tiny island, which boasts only 500 native residents, is less than twice the size of Central Park in New York City, according to a recent bulletin of the National Geographic. The island lies about 1,800 miles northeast of Australia, just south of the equator.

The island has made rapid economic strides since 1900 when rich deposits of phosphate were discovered.

Phosphate Abundant

The discovery was made by a young English chemist, Albert F. Ellis, who recently estimated that the island contains more than 20,000,000 tons of phosphate. World consumption is about half that amount annually. The phosphate may have settled selves aloof from their neighbors, and have succeeded in

coming to the surface with the underlying limestone when the mountain peak island was formed. The island's highest point is 230 feet above the sea.

The Banabans are an intelligent and hospitable brown-skinned people of good physique and straight hair. Their greatest need before the coming of white men was drinking water, found only in small pools in caves, their articles of trade then were shark fins, shark teeth, and vegetables and fruits.

They lived largely on fish and birds, coconuts, pawpaws and pumpkins. Their huts were made from the pandanus tree, the wood forming the frame which was thatched over with the leaves. Housing and clothing were simple problems on this torrid island, possibly the poorest in the Pacific.

Island Now Prosperous

To-day the population of Ocean Island is 2,300, including 120 Europeans and about 400 Chinese; the Chinese came to work the phosphate fields. The 500 Banabans, as the first family of Ocean Island, hold them- selves aloof from their neighbors, and have succeeded in

blocking the importation of islanders whose ancestors were cannibals. Except in trade and in some sports, the races on the island do not mix.

Ocean Island is headquarters for the British colony known as the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony, whose 200 square miles of land flock over half a million square miles of ocean.

With the development of the phosphate deposits, Ocean Island has become a prosperous area. In addition to wages, the Banabans receive payment for the phosphate taken from their land, and their contribution to Great Britain's war chest was from their royalties.

There is no unemployment on Ocean Island. Roads have been built and the phosphate company operates a narrow gauge railroad. At first the natives feared the hissing locomotive, but soon came to enjoy train riding.

A broadcasting station, whirling electric dynamos and refrigerating plants, sewerage and other sanitary facilities have all come to the island as part of its commercial development. Schools and a hospital, as well as motion pictures now are available.

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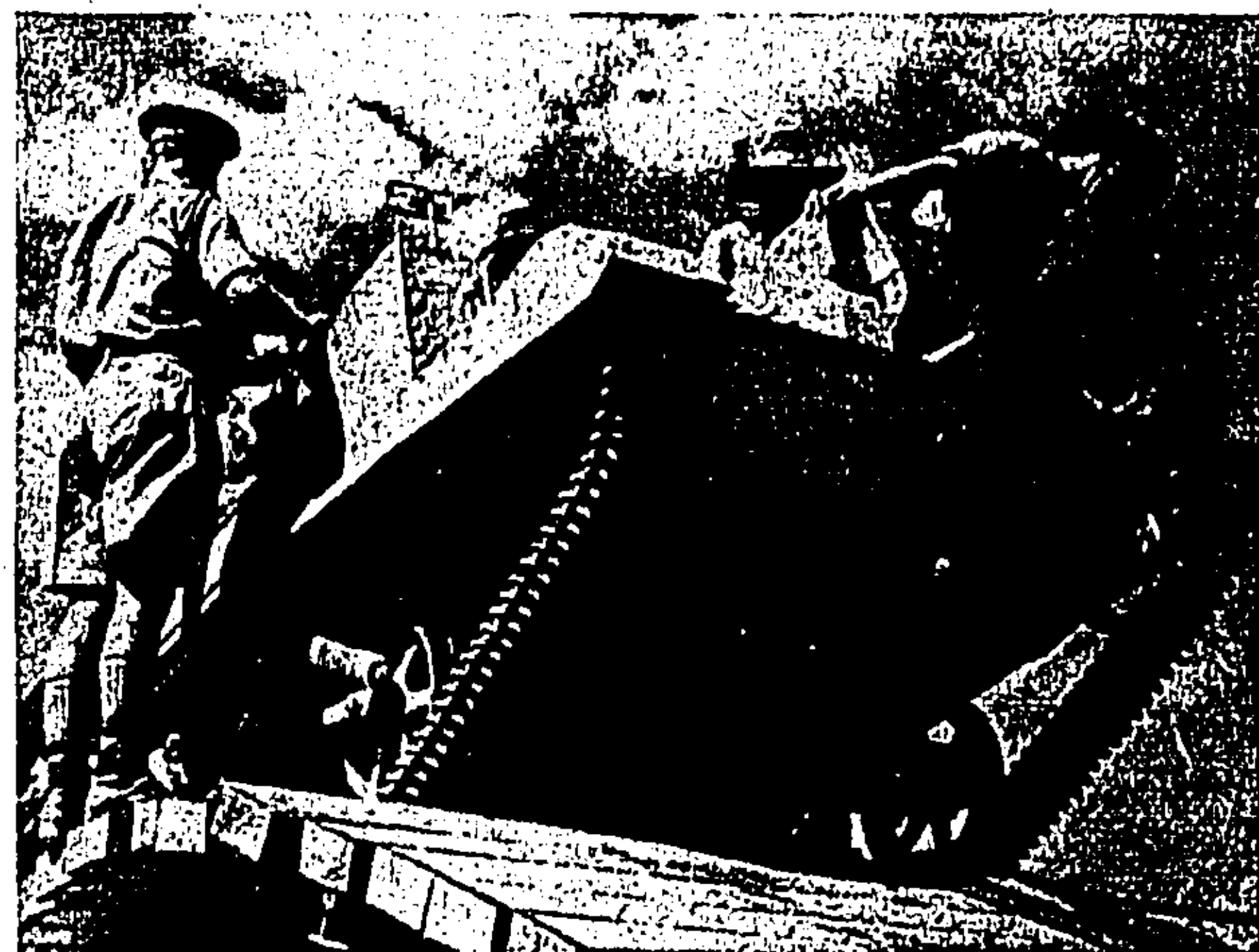
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STUDYING INVASION TACTICS—British troops launch their collapsible boats whilst undergoing training in invasion tactics, in anticipation of the day when it will be our turn to invade enemy territory.



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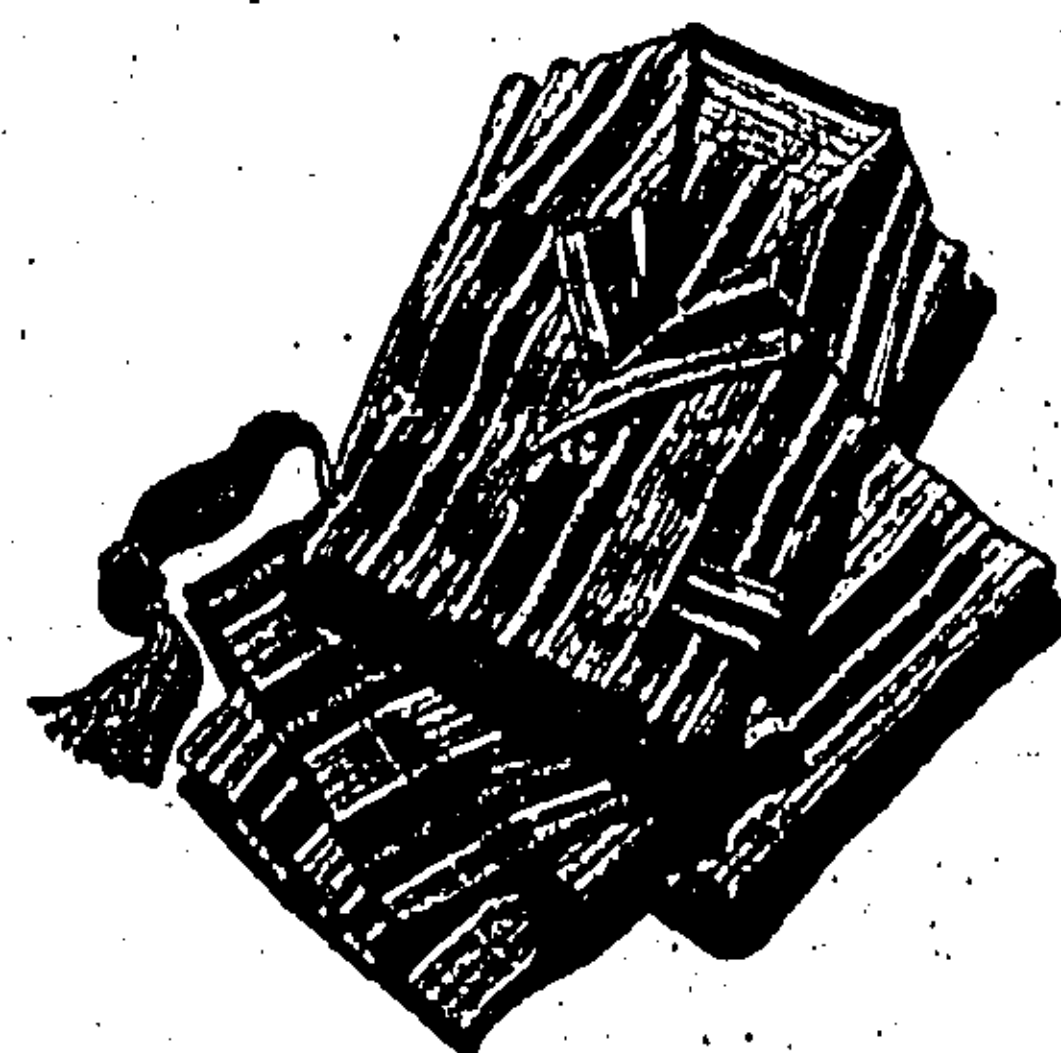


WITH LOVE TO HITLER—A humorous kiss for luck is given to a shell by a gunner about to place it in the anti-aircraft gun of a destroyer during a bout with enemy aircraft.



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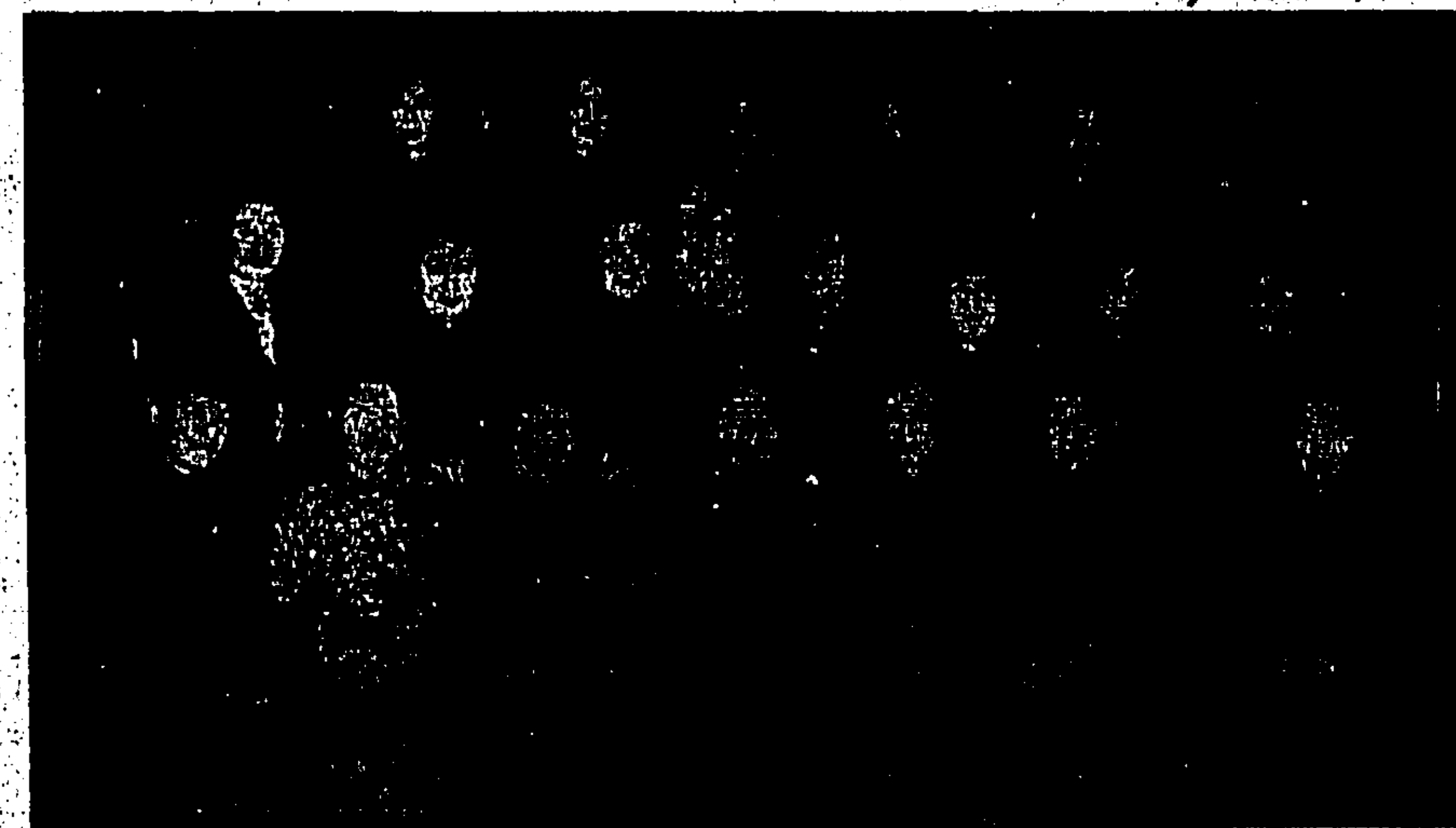
FIRST REUNION—Members of the Students' Union of the Northcote Training College, formerly the Teachers' Training College, photographed recently when they celebrated the first anniversary of the formation of the Union. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



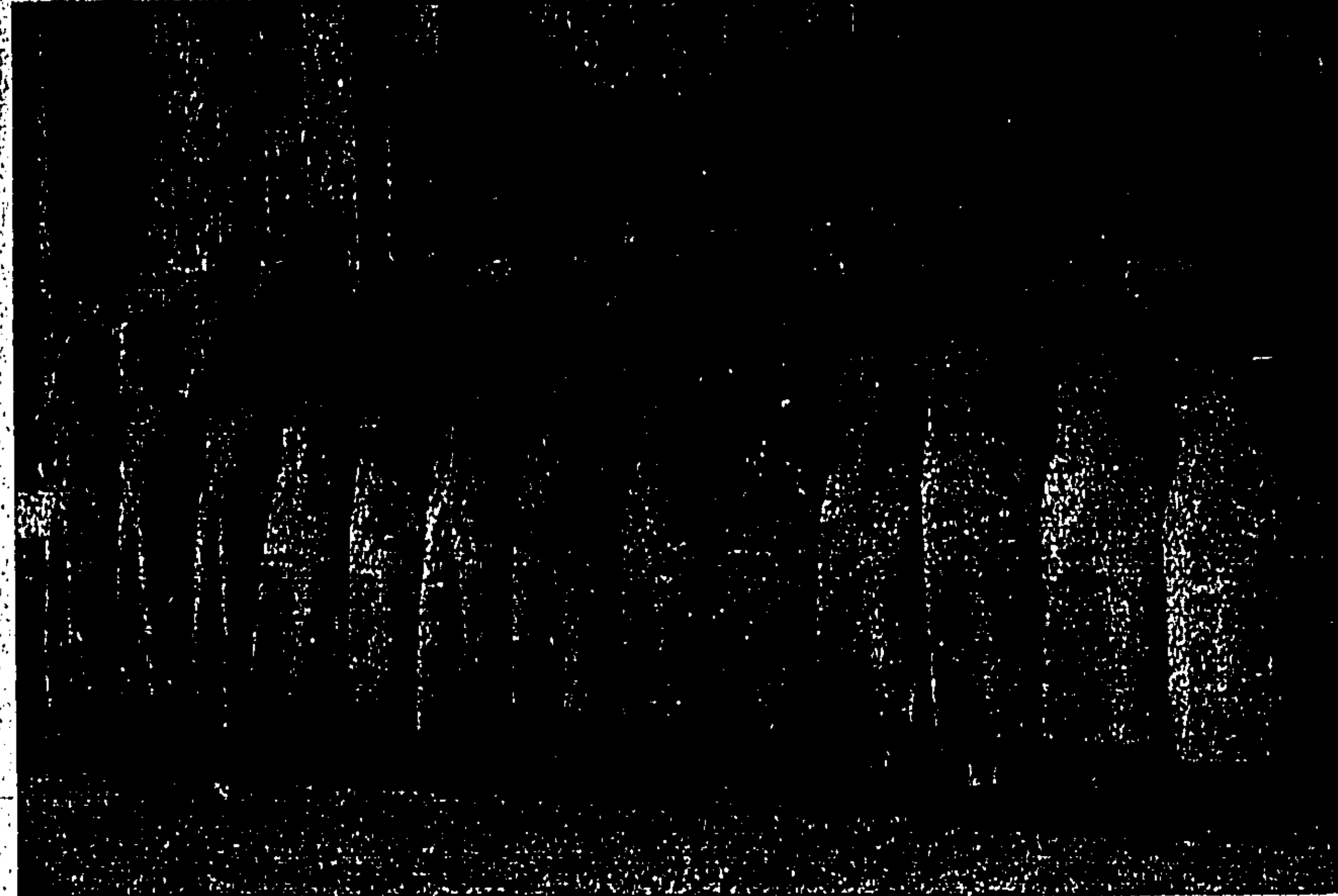
THE HONGKONG POLICE RIFLE TEAM which took part in the Bisley Shoot, with the Deputy Commissioner, Mr C. G. Perdue, seated in centre. Sgt J. Russell, who won the Governor's Prize, is third from left in the front row. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



SOFTBALL STARS—Picture of the teams which participated in the charity matches on Monday in aid of Chinese war orphans. In the ladies' game, the Wildcats (League Champions) contested the All Stars, whilst in the men's tilt, St Joseph's (League Champions) met the Mohawks. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



WOMEN'S CLUB OFFICERS—Photograph taken after the election of officers at the recent annual meeting of the Hongkong Chinese Women's Club, shows members of the Committee for the current year. (Photo: Wah Kiu).



SINGING CHAMPIONS—Picture of the Tak Ching Choral Society, which won first place in chorus singing at the recent contest sponsored by the Association for the Advancement of Chinese Culture, held in the Chinese Y.M.C.A. (Photo: New China Newsphotos).



WONG-TSENG WEDDING—Mr Wong Tung-fun and his bride, formerly Miss Tseng Ching-ping, who were married recently at St Margaret's Church, Happy Valley. (Photo: Wah Kiu).



AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH on Monday, the wedding took place of Mr R. C. Robson and Miss Christine Mary Doherty. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

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4 STRONG MEN OF TURKEY

By
Sirdar Ikbal Ali Shah

IF it is true that Mustafa Kemal Atatürk—the late President of the Turkish Republic—had said that he ruled as a dictator so that no dictator should come after him, then his wishes have certainly been fulfilled; because four personalities who are controlling the Turkish programme of progress to-day are anything but dictators.

The first of these men is, of course, General Ismet Inonu—the present President of the Turkish Republic—of whom I have vivid recollections when our Oriental delegation was addressed by him in his Lausanne hotel in the summer of 1923. In his quiet tone and courtly manner he had that day assured his Conference antagonists that if terms satisfying Turkish claims were not forthcoming by next morning, then his train would take him back that afternoon to Turkey; and he, as the head of the delegation, upon his return might not after all be able to persuade his Chief, the Atatürk, that further military measures would not be taken against the defeated Greeks. "But I have hopes," he said, "that I may not go from Switzerland without an honourable treaty, for we do wish to have friendship with the Greeks."



ISMET

the only Turk of our time in whom blends the best of both East and West. Born in Smyrna 1884, the son of Sesit Bey, a prominent jurist who rose to the Judicial Division in the Sultan's Ministry of War, Ismet was educated at the Military High School and the Civil Service High School at Sivas; thence he went to the Halicoglu Artillery School (War College) and graduated as Captain in 1906 from the Army Staff College.

Soon after that he saw service in southern Arabia, becoming a Major in 1912, when his abilities as negotiator and adviser were recognised, and he was appointed military adviser to the Turkish delegation that went to Belgrade to arrange peace following the First Balkan War. The World War gave him a further chance to prove himself a good soldier and administrator, for since 1914 onward, rising from Lieutenant Colonel to General's rank, he served with the 3rd, 4th, and 12th Army Corps, ultimately reaching the status of Under-Secretary of State for War.

The truth was that his extraordinary power of negotiation—which is so strongly backed by his sincere desire for preserving peace—had already contrived to mellow down his Chief; the indemnity was admitted by the Greeks on the one hand, and Ismet compromised by agreeing that Greece at the moment was unable to pay for the damage done. Triumphant, therefore, wise soldier-statesman that Ismet is, he signed the treaty on July 24, 1923, and left for home.

Prominence of mention of that occasion is deserved, because it was Lausanne that laid the foundations of those future treaties and agreements which Turkey contracted with other powers, and thus secured peace—a peace without which the urgent work of the New Turkey's regeneration could not have been carried on. It was the Treaty of Lausanne, which helped Turkey to reoccupy Istanbul, make Ankara her capital, proclaim the republic on Oct. 29, 1923, abolish the Caliphate, sign the Turko-Russian Treaty in 1925, agree with the French about the boundary, adjust her affairs with the British and the Iraqi governments regarding Mosul in 1926, sign the Montreux Convention of 1936; and arrange for a diplomacy of peace.

Ismet Inonu's whole mental outlook is remarkable, because, with many others, the present writer regards him as perhaps the most capable for work is tremendous.

ous. He has been known to torship of the School of Economics. He has been known to torship of the School of Economics. He has been known to torship of the School of Economics.

The one man about whom enabled him to take an economic mission to the United States. In 1933 he signed a financial engagement in Paris, What can be known about and then for a time he was a soldier who has passed his Minister of the Interior. Since career in a tent? It is enough becoming Foreign Minister in 1938 his capabilities have been to say that he commanded the severely tested, notably in Moscow in October, 1939; but he is known to be a man of strong views; especially where the independence of his country is concerned he will yield to no life, is seldom seen out except on occasions of national festivals. Only when he wants to have something done quickly for his men is he known to step into a government office.

A man who may yet go high is Turkey's Foreign Minister—Sukru Sarajoglu. Beginning public life as a political economy research student in Belgium and Turkey, confident in the hope that the spirit of modern Turkey was one of the first who joined with its face staunchly set recommended him to the direct against aggression.

THIS FREEDOM

These extracts from the diary of a journalist now in the Army have become one of the most popular features in wartime journalism.

IT was on the day of our arrival here. A long, ginger Sergeant who, like the man in the O. Henry story, was about six feet high but had no other dimensions, had us grouped outside the hut.

His right hand clutched a pencil; his left had a firm purchase on a little laundry book. He was a very young sergeant but had already seen tremendous doings down on Dunkirk Beach.

The whisper went around that, every so often, the Medical Officer went over him with tweezers and got out more and more shrapnel—that he had already extracted a jamjar full, which served as a paperweight in his office.

But the sergeant, though grave-faced beyond his years, looked pinkly healthy. His upper lip bore the merest premonition of a moustache, a pinch of amber-coloured down.

He was looking very serious.

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"I am not here," he said, "to give you a religious sermon."

"For the moment I fought," he whispered the Lad from the Elephant and Castle—whom the Sergeant froze into silence with a look.

"I am here to take down your religions. Because in this man's army you can have any religion you like."

"Do you hear, you over there? Any religion you like. I do not mean that if you suddenly take a fancy to be a ruddy Dancing Dervish we can do anything about it."

"I do not mean that if you become Mohammedans we take it upon ourselves to send you to a Mosque every Sunday, or whenever it is you say your prayers, if and when you are a Mohammedan."

"What I mean to say is, if you have a religion, then we respect it. Do you get me?"

"So, if you're a Roman Catholic, right you are; we fix you up. If you're C. of E., out."

okeydoke by us. Hands up all Church of Englanders!"

Most hands went up.

"Twenty-one, twenty-two, twenty-three. Um. All right. Let's do it this way. Hands up all those who aren't Church of Englanders."

Seven hands rose.

"I take it you're all Roman Catholics. Don't be frightened, because it's quite all right. Call out your names one by one; that's the way we'll do it."

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"One . . . two . . . three . . . four . . . five . . . six. There's one man missing. Who hasn't been put down for a religion?"

Old Silence raised his hand.

"What are you? Try not to make it too fancy, if you get what I mean, because that only makes difficulties we mightn't be able to cope with; and we're anxious to oblige in the matter of religion. Come on, what religion?"

"None," said Old Silence.

"I can't put that down," said the Sergeant.

"Why not?"

"Religion—None? How can I put that? You must have something."

The Sergeant's voice was almost pleading.

"I respect all religions, but adhere to none in particular," said Old Silence.

"You don't believe in a Being?"

"I never said I disbelieved in God," said Old Silence.

"Then you've got to have a religion."

"Why?"

The Sergeant scratched his head.

"What I want to know is, what do I put you down as?"

"Agnostic," said Old Silence.

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"Well," said the Sergeant, "it seems all very irregular to me, but if you haven't got freedom of conscience in this man's army—blimey, where have you got it? Agnostic it is, then."

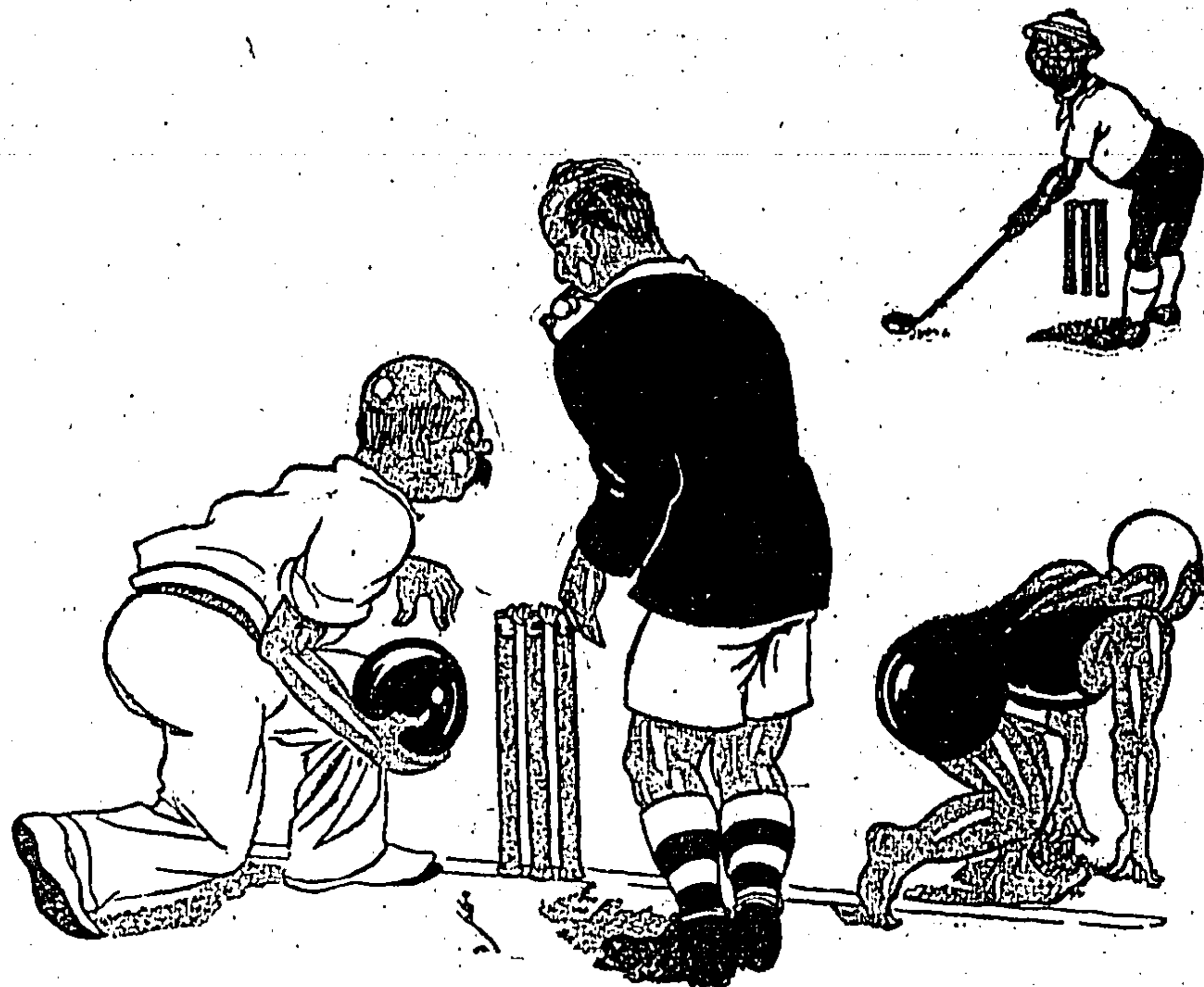
"There isn't a 'G' on the end, is there? I thought not."

"Go to whatever church you like, I say, as long as you're sincere; even an agnostic. Then you don't attend Church Parade of a Sunday."

"Hey! Wait a minute!" cried the Lad from the Elephant.

"If you're going to say that you've suddenly decided to be an agnostic, too, you can save it," said the Sergeant. "Twenty-three C. of E.s, six R.C.s, one Ag. Very nice, too. Fall out."

"This is all wrong!"



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AIMS OF NAZIS ARE SEEN IN FRENCH BOOK PURGES

By Richard H. Heindel

The increasing rigour of book purges in defeated France is of great cultural importance and interest and also a valuable clue to the Nazi outlook. The first black-list to hand, called Liste Bernhard, drawn up about July last and containing 143 forbidden items, was used by the Gestapo in its raids on libraries and bookshops. These titles may be taken to indicate the volumes which gave the Nazis most concern.

The list contained the works of five Americans: Louis Fischer, "The War in Spain"; H. R. Knickerbocker, "The German Crisis" (1932); Calvin B. Hoover, "Germany Enters the Third Reich" (1932); Leon Turov, "Nazi Spies in the United States," and Franz Boas, "Heredité et milieu."

Edmond Vermeil enjoyed the largest number of separate citations, wholesale condemnations, merely because of Jewish or German refugee origin, did not appear on this list.

The net widened for libraries and booksellers in lists such as that sent out by Librairie Stock on order of the German officials dated Aug. 28, condemning in toto the works of Zweig; Remarque, Thomas Mann, Oetzel Baum, Knecht, Capet, Blum, Vici, Baum, and Konrad Heiden. Of these, only Heiden's history of National Socialism can be found in the Liste Bernhard.

Picture Grows Darker

The picture darkens with the arrival of a Convention, signed on Sept. 28 in Paris by the Syndicat des Editeurs and the German officials, with provisions for a rigid, self-imposed censorship and the carrying on of French thought while "respecting the rights of the conqueror."

Noting especially the ban on foreign refugees who "poisoned" French thought, the Convention, which refers to the Liste Otto as the "first" of many to follow, directs the purge of catalogues and stocks and commands publishers to send two copies of all new editions to the Propaganda-Staffel. These restrictions are very important for Unoccupied France, because Paris is the centre of publishing.

This Liste Otto, drawn up jointly by the French and Germans as a step toward "more objective appreciation of the European problems," bans 1,041 writings (not counting all of Trotsky), the work of about 600 writers, originating in 130 different publishing houses.

The chief offending imprints are Nouvelle Revue Française (135), Presses Universitaires (Alcan, Le-roux, Rieder, (111), Fayard (105), Albin Michel (42), Nouvelle Revue Critique (41), and Flammarion (41). Among the writers with most detailed citations are E. Vermeil, Jean Bardanne, Leon Blum, Thomas Mann, C. Robert-Dumas, Zwerig, Jules Benda, G. Duhamel, Aristide Briant, Fréud, and Emil Ludwig.

More Americans On List

One finds additional American works on this list: John Gunther, "Inside Europe"; Martha Dodd, "Through Embassy Eyes"; Leland Stowe, "Hitler, est-ce la Guerre?"; John Foster Dulles, "War, Peace, and Change"; Ludwig Lewisohn, "The Last Days of Shylock"; and Herbert Yardley, "The American Black Chamber" which relates the work of the Cryptographic Bureau of United States Military Intelligence. One of the unaccountable, frenchish citations, unless on moral grounds, is Robert W. Service's "Trail of '98, a Northland Romance" for children.

Some citations indicate that the Germans have heeded Italian susceptibility. The ban strikes heavily at scholarly works on Jewish history, at discussions of Spain and its imposed censorship and the carrying on of French thought while "respecting the rights of the conqueror."

chemical and air warfare, and espionage which do not necessarily have any anti-German bias. All "colour" books in French—except the German apologetics—are forbidden.

I can find only one item on the earlier Liste Bernhard which does not appear here: Jean Girardoux's "Le Futur Armistice."

Some Singled Out

The periodicals Lumière Bleue, Charles Brabant, editor; Lectures pour Tous, issues of May, 1939, to June, 1940; La Voix de Varsovie; Zeitschrift für Sozialforschung; and Notre Combat attracted special condemnation.

Among the offending English writers are: Duchess of Atholl, "Searchlight on Spain"; G. Ward Price, "I Know the Dictators"; David Lloyd George, "Les heures décisives"; and "La Victoire"; and H. G. Wells, "Châteaux en Angleterre" and "Fallite de la Démocratie."

During the war, there was uncertainty in France respecting Nietzsche; N. P. Nicolas whose favourable "De Nietzsche à Hitler" had been commended, is now banned, along with Heine's "De l'Allemagne," "Lutèce," and "Reisebilder." Sacrifices to the new Weltanschauung are Sietels and Magnus Hirschfeld's famous books on sex; Maximilian Scheler's "Blut und Ehre" (1937); Alexandre Israel's "La Liberté de la Presse"; B. Lavergne's "Le Gouvernement des Démocraties Modernes," and in accord with damning Masonic exhibits, G. Martin's history of "French Free Masonry."

Among the sacrifices for a fellow-dictator are several volumes by Salvemini and Stora, including the latter's "Fifty Years of War and Diplomacy in the Balkans," five volumes by G. Ferrero the historian, and Rousseau's "Le Conflit Indo-Ethiopien et le Droit International." The Russian-Communist angle is illuminated by the citation of such volumes as Litvinov, "Die Sowjet-Lithuanien für die Rettung der Tschechoslowakei" (1938), all of Trotsky, Lenin's "Cahiers sur la dialectique de Hegel," Rosa Luxembourg, "Lettres aux Kautsky," Barlaume, "Lettres de Lénine à sa famille," and Friedrich Engels, "Révolution and Counter-Révolution in Germany."

Some speculation may be aroused concerning foreign affairs by the inclusion of G. de Szilassy's "Process de la Hongrie," Seton-Watson's "Histoire des Roumains"; Tardieu's "Bourgeoisie" analysis of the Treaty of Versailles, Stephen Graham's "Sara-Beau de Lomenie's 'Naissance de la Nation Romaine,'" and E. Versailles, M. Maurel's "Guillaume II," André Maurois' "Histoire d'Angleterre," and M. Saint's "La Zone Dangereuse" (1924).

Some of the citations, particularly among the military writings including those by Charles de Gaulle, Albert Renard, and E. Corrias, must represent ancient personal grudges of German army officers.

News reports of book purges in Alsace reveal names not found in the Liste Otto; for example, Bazin, Baisi, and Alfred Kerr. This may imply and "La Boucher de Verdun" (1921), some regional variety.

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Movies

New Moon

Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy co-operate as effectively as ever in this new screen version of the famous stage success, "New Moon," last made ten years ago with Grace Moore and Lawrence Tibbett. The picture is showing at the Queen's and Alhambra.

The story deals with an aristocrat of the France of Louis XVI who escapes to America after having been sentenced for a political offence. He becomes a servant to Marianne, a French woman with estates in Louisiana and they fall in love. They quarrel when she learns of his past, but are reconciled after heroic measures on the part of the hero.

The music is tuneful, the stars are in good form, the action is occasionally thrilling and the staging is in the usual opulent M-G-M manner. However, the dramatic canvas is overcrowded and the footage overlong and all but MacDonald-Eddy fans and the most determined music lovers may find it dull before the end.

Period romance, Fairbanksian adventure, a desert island sequence, a spot of "Shangri-la" whimsy and bedroom comedy are all crammed in with vocal accompaniment.

Mary Boland provides welcome comedy relief as one of those fluttery aunts, and sound support is contributed by George Zucco, Grant Mitchell and Stanley Fields.

Mr & Mrs Smith

Alfred Hitchcock's first American-made film comedy, "Mr and Mrs Smith," is now at the King's Theatre. In situation, it resembles somewhat such motion pictures as "My Favourite Wife," "Too Many Husbands," and "The Awful Truth."

Although the Smiths are happily married, David has made the mistake of telling Ann that, if he had it to do all over again, he would not marry her.

Subsequently, the Smiths learn that their marriage is illegal through a geographical technique. Mrs Smith, nee Ann Krausheal, and when David fails to remember, with verve and dash, and propose immediately, Ann ex-Gene Raymond manages to take pels him from their luxurious household.

The remainder of the action revolves about David's attempts to win back his wife. Ann thinks she is falling in love with David's partner, Jeff, an old friend whom she has retained as counsel to start divorce proceedings. But the Smiths are eventually reconciled.

Under Mr Hitchcock's direction, the story provides several situations of sophisticated hilarity.

The playing throughout is excellent. Robert Montgomery is the bland, engagingly casual husband. Carole Lombard acts band. Mrs Smith, nee Ann Krausheal, and when David fails to remember, with verve and dash, and propose immediately, Ann ex-Gene Raymond manages to take pels him from their luxurious household.

Son of Monte Cristo

At a time when the Balkans are in the headlines, there is Hayward, and after a few adventures, he rescues her from a shot of romance, statecraft and duelling-gun marriage to the dictator and ing with wit and blade set in a marries her himself.

Hayward somehow lacks the spirit or the dashing abandon we hoped to see, but then, he has a lot to live up to—John Gilbert, Douglas Fairbanks, and Robert Donat, each of whom played a colourful Count of Monte Cristo.

The story is about the grand to the film except her beauty. duchess of a European prin-The dictator is superbly played cipality who is having her diffi- by George Sanders, who gives culties with Bismarck, the Czar, the best performance of all, and and a dictator in her own coun- further confirms the opinion that try. The duchess (Joan Ben- he is one of the few good screen nett) is aided by the son of actors living.



A dramatic scene from "The Son of Monte Cristo" now showing at the Lee Theatre. The picture stars Joan Bennett, Louis Hayward and George Sanders.



Nelson Eddy and Jeanette MacDonald as they appear in "New Moon", showing at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres.

Stage and
Films will Die
in 15 Years

By Frederick C. Othman

United Press Hollywood Correspondent

Charles Coburn, the distinguished American actor, charged recently that the stage had not produced an outstanding star, male or female, since 1926. The movies have made only a few and they, he said, for the most part have not been great performers, but outstanding personalities.

"Unless something is done to the process in Hollywood takes give young actors proper professional training," he said.

He said that in another 15 years the stage will die—and along with it will go the films.

He said that universities, high schools, and colleges are spending millions of dollars for magnificent theatres and equipment.

"And what happens," he asked, "a hope to-morrow."

"We find amateurs teaching amateurs how to be amateurs. Now it may be fun for the amateurs on the stage to scamper around behind the footlights, with an amateur in the person of a lady from the English department as director, but it's tough on the audiences."

"I would say that 98 per cent. of all the stage shows produced in America to-day are performed on school and university stages. The audiences who go to these shows cannot get interested in the characters. All they can say is 'Look how cute Maggie Jones is in her wig' or 'My, doesn't Joe Donks look fine in whiskers.'"

"What I can't understand is the fact that a great university will go to any length to obtain able scientists in its medical school and fine scholars for its law courses, and will casually toss its drama courses to the English Department, or perhaps to the Professor of Public Speaking."

"With the repertory companies all gone and the stage confined only to Broadway, there is no place for youngsters to learn acting, except in school. On Broadway, a show has to be a job. His worry is that there aren't enough young people in the movies to take the place of the old ones. The path itself is almost obliterated."

This kind of thing was easy for Coburn, who began peddling programmes in a Savannah, Ga., theatre when he was 12, became only to Broadway, there is no place for youngsters to learn acting, except in school. On Broadway, a show has to be a job. His worry is that there aren't enough young people in the movies to take the place of the old ones. The path itself is almost obliterated."

He wore an old-fashioned bathing suit as he talked about this in a Coney Island Police Station on an R-K-O sound stage. It seemed a little incongruous, but he was earning his living in the profession he knows best. He was starring with Jean Arthur and Robert Cummings in the comedy, "The Devil and Miss Jones." Sam Wood was directing and all hands were in an argument with the cop, Regis Toomey, about Coburn's right to parade the board walk in a bathing suit.

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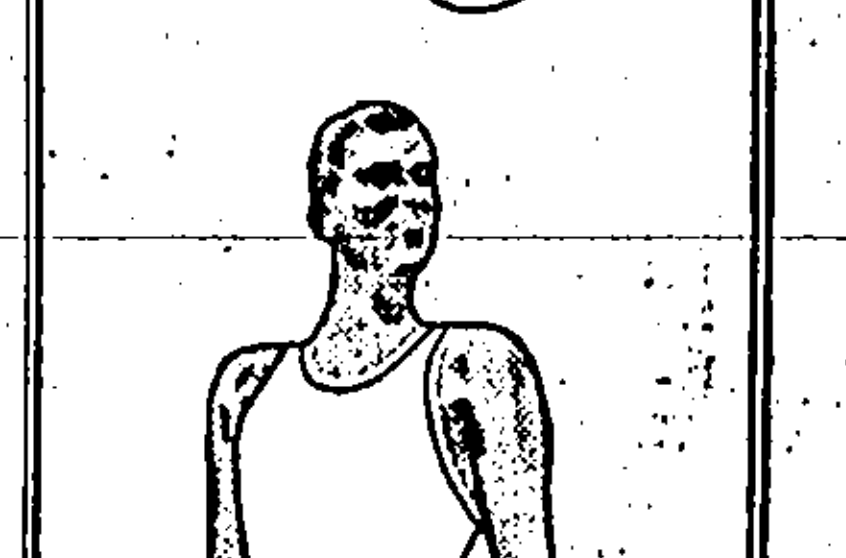
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Soviet-Japanese Pact A Warning to China

By HUGH DEANE

While the U.S.S.R.'s prime motive in signing a neutrality pact with Japan was to strengthen her position in Europe, the significance of the pact can be fully appreciated only in the light of Asiatic politics. Russia's decision to secure an understanding with China's enemy was partly a result of the recent political developments within China.

The pact is retribution. It is the Soviet answer to the Kuomintang's anti-Communist policy, which Chiang Kai-shek made explicit in his final speech to the People's Political Council in Chungking early in March.

The breakdown of the modus vivendi between the Kuomintang and the Chinese Communists, the attack on the New Fourth Army early in January and the subsequent arrest of Communists and of advocates of Kuomintang-Communist co-operation perforce destroyed the basis of Russian aid and Russian friendship.

Press Attacks

Fearing the growing Communist strength in north and central China, large parts of which have come under the aegis of the Eighth Route and New Fourth Armies, and facing in its own areas a real economic crisis, the Kuomintang felt itself obliged to move against the Communists.

The Chinese Communists have been repeatedly attacked in the press, and are now generally referred to as the "Traitorous Party." Kuomintang writers like to say that the Japanese are only lice on the body of China, while Communism is a disease of the heart.

The Kuomintang's attempt to cure China of her heart trouble has disintegrated Chinese unity, and is partly responsible for Russia's rapprochement with Japan.

Undeclared Civil War

The liquidation of 10,000 men of the New Fourth in January marked the beginning of an undeclared civil war. Central Government troops under Tang En-po and other generals have moved against the main forces of the New Fourth Army north of the Yangtze, comprising about 80,000 men. Small clashes have occurred, and serious ones may be expected.

In Shensi and Kansu, furthermore, the Central Government has concentrated 200,000 troops around the Communist Shensi-Kansu-Ninghsia Border Region, as Chiang Kai-shek himself admitted in his speech to the People's Political Council.

The flight of Ho Ying-chin, Minister of War, to Sian last week for a military conference makes the Communist leaders think that the Central Government is contemplating an attack on the Border Region.

In Kuomintang areas, hundreds of Communists and adherents of other non-Kuomintang groups have been arrested. Others have had to flee. Scores of bookshops have been closed down, particularly those of the Life Book Company, which is the publishing organ of the National Salvation Association. Periodicals have been suppressed, such as "Mass Resistance," which was edited by Chou Tao-feng, one of the seven National Salvation leaders. Chou is now in Hongkong.

Cleavage

The widening of the cleavage between left and right caused Russia to reconsider her policy toward China. Many Kuomintang leaders believed that a "positive" policy towards the Chinese Communists would have no effect on Sino-Soviet relations. After the New Fourth Army Incident

★ This article, written for the "Telegraph" by the correspondent of the "Christian Science Monitor," gives a new slant on the much-published controversy between the Kuomintang and the Chinese Communist Party, whose New Fourth Army was recently suppressed by Central Government troops for "disobedience."

Mr Deane has been in Chungking and various parts of the China war front during the past 18 months, and is now en route home to America.

★ the "Suo Tang Pao," the "Ta Kung Pao" and other Chungking papers held the opinion that Russia was bound to China by ties of self-interest, and that the smashing of the New Fourth's "revolt" would not entail a decrease in Soviet aid. The Soviet-Japanese pact indicates that Chinese theorists analysed the situation incorrectly.

Slap At China

The U.S.S.R. has taken a slap at China for reasons more pressing than

the attacks on the Chinese Communist Party. The Chinese Communists interpret the suppression of Communist and other non-Kuomintang groups as preparation for capitulation. An official Communist statement on January 20 predicted that the Kuomintang would begin to manoeuvre for peace with Japan. The view of many Communists is that now China is fairly closely tied to Britain and America, but that if Britain should be defeated, or should suffer further defeats, the Kuomintang would lose no time in securing the best terms it could from the Japanese. The attack on the New Fourth Army in central China, they say, was groundwork for this eventuality; for as long as the New Fourth controlled parts of the Yangtze valley, capitulation would be impossible. In attacking the New Fourth, the Kuomintang attempted to remove a barrier between itself and the Japanese.

The full effect of the Soviet-Japanese pact on China is not yet clear. The pact, however, does not prohibit further Soviet aid to China. It may be interpreted as a warning to China, an implicit declaration that the U.S.S.R. is unwilling to dispatch arms and munitions to be used to fight the Chinese Communist armies. Should the Kuomintang revise its anti-Communist policy, the pact leaves the U.S.S.R. entirely free to continue giving aid.

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